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**A MILLENNIUM
OF SERVICE.**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Every groundbreaking program must have an architect.

Every new line of inquiry requires an inquisitive mind.

Every promising student needs a mentor.

As our institution continues to rocket ahead, we wanted to take time in this issue of *Bridgewater* to recognize those who have fueled our rapid ascent. Thirty-four faculty members and librarians have served Bridgewater State College for more than 30 years. For many, this institution is the only one they've ever known having spent their entire professional careers here. Numerous presidents have come and gone during their tenure. Tens of thousands of students have passed through our doors. Entirely new disciplines have emerged just as others have been completely transformed. All the while, their energy, ambition and commitment have propelled us forward.

They have been the true pioneers of institutional excellence, and though they may be a little greyer than they were decades ago, they've shown absolutely no signs of slowing down. The energy of today's Bridgewater flows directly from their innovative spirit, just as the nobility of our public mission is anchored in their long and distinguished service.

Contained in the pages that follow lies the essence of Bridgewater State College's transformation. Captured in their own words and in the testimonials of numerous former students who have gone on to do great things is not only a rich story of history but a clear account of why our college has been so successful and why our future looks so bright.

In reading and in reminiscing, I hope you'll take a few moments to join me in acknowledging their millennium of service. An entire generation of alumni — if not the entire commonwealth — owes them a tremendous debt of gratitude.



Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in gold ink that reads "Dana Mohler-Faria". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dana Mohler-Faria
President



Prof. Walter Gleason



Ms. S. Mabell Bates



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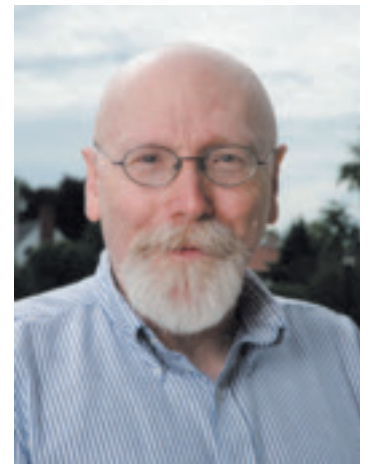
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O, Pioneers!

Senior Faculty Reflect on 30+ Years of Professional Contributions and Service



Dr. Raymond ZuWallack

By Maura King Scully

Immediately after this year's opening day breakfast in September, they gathered for a group photo. It was no easy feat. There are 34 of them, representing the college's three schools and two dozen academic departments, all milling about the campus center courtyard. Librarians chatted with biologists; historians swapped stories with educators; sociologists laughed with mathematicians. At last, order prevailed, and the group was organized and captured for posterity. The occasion? They were all being recognized for 30+ years of commitment to Bridgewater State College, for their scholarly contributions to their fields, and for the profound impact they've had as the teachers and mentors of thousands of BSC students — past and present. While passersby surely recognized many of their faces, it is likely that few could appreciate the totality of their shared contributions to the

institution. For assembled on the courtyard that sunny September morning were those who had given more than a millennium of service to Bridgewater State College.

Coming of Age

Hired from the mid-1960s to mid-1970s, these men and women quite literally grew up with Bridgewater State College. Their three decades of professional development coincides with a time of explosive growth for the institution.

"When I came in 1965, we had about 1,000 students," observed Prof. Walter Gleason of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, who holds the distinction of being the college's most senior professor. "At the time, the whole east side of the campus wasn't there. There was no library, no student union building. Today, we have more than 10,000 students, and the campus keeps growing."

More students brought more faculty, which then in turn led to more space for classrooms and faculty offices. This was a positive development, noted Dr. Gerald Thornell, professor of elementary and early childhood education, reflecting on the 1960s concept of faculty offices.

"When I started, all the education faculty were in one room on the second floor of Boyden Hall," he recalled. "There were 22 of us and one phone. Most were two or three to a desk; if you were really senior, you might get your own desk. Needless to say, there was no privacy."

Dr. Thornell contrasts that herd-like arrangement with today noting, "now we all have our own offices, personal computers and telephones. The working environment is superior."

Along with the expansion of the physical campus has come commensurate growth in programs and offerings. "The college has continually added



Dr. Charles Angell



Dr. Robert Fitzgibbons



Dr. Stephen Levine



Prof. Susan Miskelly



Prof. Richard Quindley



Prof. I. Philip Scalisi



Prof. Jean Stonehouse



Dr. John Jahoda

new programs and majors to meet the demand of the marketplace for trained people,” said Dr. William Levin, professor of sociology.

Others point out that the number of graduate programs has grown exponentially, as have the options and activities offered to students. “We also have more student academic support and assistance programs,” said Susan Miskelly, associate professor of communication, who supervises peer tutors in the Academic Achievement Center and continues to coach BSC’s championship-winning Forensics Team.

Going High Tech

The concept of technology has also changed radically over 30 years. “The college got its first academic computer in 1974,” recalled Prof. Robert Sutherland of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, who taught BSC’s first computer science course. “It was the

size of a refrigerator and housed in the science building.”

Over the years, of course, computers became smaller and their use expanded, encompassing functions far beyond the

It is estimated that more than 140,000 students have been taught by BSC’s senior faculty.

science building. Prof. Sutherland, in fact, was one of the early faculty coordinators for CART (Center for Advancement of Research and Teaching). “I remember giving early presentations on DOS. We were crowded into a room with one computer. I had people looking over my

shoulder to watch what I was doing. We’ve come a long way,” he said.

Thanks to developments like the Moakley Center, technology is ubiquitous. With online tools like Blackboard, for example, “students now have the technological capacity to interact, address and solve problems, and complete projects 24/7,” said Dr. Raymond ZuWallack, professor of secondary education and professional programs. “It’s not unusual to log on to Blackboard late at night and see ongoing activity among student teams.”

Beyond the classroom experience, faculty said technology altered many of their professional fields. “We used to write whole computer programs to solve specific problems,” said Prof. Sutherland. “Now, a computer is an everyday tool.”

“When I was in graduate school, it was reasonably possible to master a particular area,” said Dr. John Jahoda, professor of biological sciences, “but not anymore. The

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Dr. Judith Stanton



Dr. David Culver



Dr. Thomas Turner



Dr. Thomas Curley



Dr. Tracy Baldrate



Dr. Joseph Huber



Dr. Michael Kryzanek



Dr. William Levin

estimate now is that knowledge triples every three to four years.”

Even history is a “much broader field today than it was in the past,” said Prof. Jean Stonehouse, chairperson of the Department of History. “There’s now more focus on social and cultural issues, and the experiences of minorities has given us a much richer view of the past. The Internet has also made a huge amount of research materials easily accessible. I can find the papers of major historical figures and the records of political entities online.”

Pushing the Envelope

But it’s not just longevity that makes this group notable. These senior faculty are formidable scholars and have advanced — and are still advancing — knowledge across a broad spectrum of academic fields. Prof. Gleason, for example, has authored 14 math textbooks, “and right now, I have two more in the works,” he noted.

Dr. Jahoda secured the college’s first-ever Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA) from the National Institutes of Health, which brought the popular CityLab program to BSC. “CityLab provides training for middle and high school teachers in Southeastern Massachusetts in hands-on investigation techniques,” he said. It’s also brought thousands of secondary students to campus to use advanced scientific instrumentation not available at their schools.

Dr. Thornell is considered a pioneer of outdoor education, taking students out to rivers, mountains and meadows to show them how to use nature as a living classroom. “This was in the 1970s; the concept was then considered bizarre,” he recalled. Former students like teacher Thomas St. Thomas, ’75, however, count that outdoor education experience as influential. “It was something that stayed with me the whole time I taught,” said Mr. St. Thomas. “I

used to love taking my class outside, using the things I learned on Gerry’s program. It was a great way to reach certain types of kids — those with a lot of energy. It was one of those innovative ideas that made Bridgewater a great place to study education.”

This year, Dr. Michael Kryzanek, professor of political science, marked a major professional milestone: the 25th anniversary of editing *Bridgewater Review*, the biannual faculty magazine he founded in 1981. “We started it to highlight the work of faculty in a reader-friendly manner and to show there’s a lot going on at public state colleges,” he said.

“It’s been a great way for people to find out what we do — legislators, alumni and the community,” added Dr. Levin, associate editor.

Now in his 34th year at BSC, Dr. Thomas Curley, professor of English, is just finishing a groundbreaking book that



Prof. Dorothy Puslifer



Dr. Delija Valiukenas



Dr. Susan Todd



Dr. Edward James

will settle a 300-year-old forgery debate between English author Samuel Johnson and Scottish poet James Macpherson, who claimed to have discovered and translated a Gaelic epic from the third century. With the help of a Bridgewater Presidential Fellowship and grants from organizations like the National Endowment for the Humanities, Dr. Curley traveled to national archives in Ireland, Scotland and England where he uncovered new materials in the centuries-old controversy.

"My research has uncovered the 'DNA' of Macpherson's literary fraud," Dr. Curley explained. "About 80 percent of what will appear in my book are materials that haven't appeared in print before," he said. "I feel like I'm at the top of my intellectual game." His book, *National Culture Wars in 18th Century Great Britain: Samuel Johnson, "Ossian," and the Celtic Revival*, is due out next year.

Lasting Impressions

Asked if particular memories stand out, the long-timers' answers vary from the general "individual classes that have just clicked" to receiving significant external grants, to notable publishing accomplishments.

But for many, the best memories revolve simply around their choice of profession. "I don't think of this as a job," said Prof. Sutherland. "I tell people I don't work, I teach. There hasn't been a day when I didn't want to come here and do what I do."

For Dr. Thornell, enjoyment comes from "seeing students come to us as 'wannabe' teachers and then seeing them bloom into well-established educators. I

love it when they call two or three years out with questions. It's wonderful that they feel that connection."

Indeed many faculty talk about individual students who have had an impact on them. "Perhaps the greatest measure of my success is the success of the students I've mentored over the years," said Dr. Jahoda. "Several former students have received PhDs, others have received their MDs or DVMs. Many of my students have become successful K-12 teachers, while others have

BSC's senior faculty have a combined total of more than 1,200 years of service to the college.

followed different career paths, like Jeff Corwin, '92, who has become a major TV personality with his own wildlife shows on the Discovery Channel and Animal Planet."

Dr. Stephen Levine, professor of theater arts, regularly stays in touch with many of his former students. "Theater is such an interpersonal activity that you get to know students very well," he said. Each fall, he looks forward to phone calls and e-mails from former students, updating him on their professional accomplishments.

"Henry Woronicz, '76, was artistic director of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, and he's also had roles on the TV

show *Law and Order*. Jeffrey Donovan, a BSC student in the 1980s, is another Shakespearean actor; he played Hamlet a few years ago in the summer production on the Boston Common."

Talk to alumni, and there's no doubt that these experienced teacher-scholars have influenced generations of BSC students. "I am where I am today because of Mike Kryzanek," said Corinne Young '91, district representative in Massachusetts congressman Jim Delahunt's office. "I was the first Bridgewater student to do a congressional internship in Washington, D.C. It was at Mike's urging, and he worked with the administration to make it possible." Today, she notes, she's one of a handful of Bridgewater State College graduates in Congressman Delahunt's office. "There are five staffers from four decades, all of whom studied under Dr. Kryzanek. "What a tremendous ongoing legacy." Ms. Young concluded.

Dr. Thomas Turner, professor of history, is another faculty member who's regularly cited as an influential mentor. "I took every course Tom taught, and he also supervised my student teaching," said Sue Szachowitz, '75, former history teacher and now principal of Brockton High School. "Tom was so enthusiastic; he had a way of making any subject interesting. He also cares a lot about teaching and kids. For nearly 30 years, he's served as a judge for the regional National History Day high school competition."

Ian Delahanty, '06, completed his senior honors thesis under Dr. Turner's direction, and considers the history

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Dr. Margaret Johnson



Dr. David Richards



Dr. Joel Litvin

professor a mentor and a friend. “Tom is a nationally known Lincoln scholar. It was quite an experience to be able to work with such an established researcher,” he said. Mr. Delahanty’s thesis captured the Vera Laska award from the New England History Teacher’s Association. Today, he’s pursuing his master’s degree in history at Boston College.

Collegiality Rules

Love of teaching, passion for their disciplines — these are key factors in having kept so many outstanding faculty at BSC for so many years. But it’s not the whole story. Senior faculty also credit their colleagues — and their abiding friendships with them — as major influencing factors.

“I have a group I’ve lunched with for 25 years,” said Dr. Levine. “We all started around the same time, but are all in different departments. We’ve all been very active in research and really appreciate each other’s scholarship.”

One such group even has its own name: Quad 8. Dr. Philip Silvia, professor of history, explained: “There were eight of us from eight different departments that used to play touch football on the quad-range in front of Boyden Hall on Friday afternoons, and then we’d adjourn to the Rathskeller. We socialized together, and even put together a play one year to raise money for student scholarships. We’re older now, so we don’t play touch football. But we do seek each other out at campus events.”

“There were so many of us hired when the baby boom generation came of college age,” Dr. Levine added. “As we retire, there are going to be a lot of spots to fill.”

But for now, however, most of the 34 are staying put — some still grappling with the whole notion of senior status. “Honestly, I never thought of myself as a ‘senior faculty’ member. It kind of sneaks up on you. That’s very common in aging,” mused Dr. Levin, whose area of specialty is ageism. “In the end, being senior faculty isn’t important. What is important are the relationships we’ve made and the fact that we’re still valued and contributing members of the Bridgewater community.” ■

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Name	Department	Started at BSC
Walter Gleason	Mathematics and Computer Science	Aug. 29, 1965
Michael Makokian	Mathematics and Computer Science	Aug. 28, 1966
S. Mabell Bates	Maxwell Library	Jan. 1, 1967
Edward Braun	Movement Arts, Health Promotion	Sept. 1, 1968
	and Leisure Studies	
Richard Enright	Earth Sciences	Sept. 1, 1968
Thomas Moore	Mathematics and Computer Science	Sept. 1, 1968
Philip Silvia	History	Sept. 1, 1968
Robert Sutherland	Mathematics and Computer Science	Sept. 1, 1968
Gerald Thornell	Elementary and Early Childhood	Sept. 1, 1968
	Education	
Raymond ZuWallack	Secondary Education and	Sept. 1, 1968
	Professional Programs	
Charles Angell	English	Aug. 31, 1969
Robert Fitzgibbons	Philosophy	Aug. 31, 1969
Stephen Levine	Theater and Dance	Aug. 31, 1969
Susan Miskelly	Communication Studies	Aug. 31, 1969
Richard Quindley	Mathematics and Computer Science	Aug. 31, 1969
I. Philip Scalisi	Mathematics and Computer Science	Aug. 31, 1969
Jean Stonehouse	History	Aug. 31, 1969

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John Jahoda	Biological Sciences	Aug. 30, 1970
Louis Poule	English	Aug. 30, 1970
Judith Stanton	English	Aug. 30, 1970
David Culver	History	Aug. 29, 1971
Thomas Turner	History	Aug. 29, 1971
Thomas Curley	English	Aug. 27, 1972
Tracy Baldrate	Special Education and	Aug. 23, 1973
	Communication Disorders	
Joseph Huber	Movement Arts, Health Promotion	Aug. 26, 1973
	and Leisure Studies	
Michael Kryzanek	Political Science	Aug. 26, 1973
William Levin	Sociology	Aug. 26, 1973
Dorothy Pulsifer	Art	Aug. 26, 1973
Delija Valiukenas	English	Aug. 26, 1973
Susan Todd	Psychology	Sept. 1, 1974
Edward James	Philosophy	Aug. 29, 1976
Margaret Johnson	Psychology	Aug. 29, 1976
David Richards	Psychology	Aug. 29, 1976
Joel Litvin	Communication Studies	Aug. 28, 1977

Local Bank President Thomas Caron, '76, Enjoys Interacting with the Customers and the Community

By Clare Leschin-Hoar

Despite majoring in psychology during his undergraduate years at Bridgewater State College, it turned out that banking would become Thomas Caron's life's work.

As president of Bank of Easton, Mr. Caron has seen his small community bank grow tenfold during his 23-year tenure — expanding from \$11 million to \$90 million. That growth is continuing, as Mr. Caron oversees the opening a new branch office, which is at the entrance of the Hannaford Plaza on Route 106 in Easton.

"I truly enjoy the small bank environment," said Mr. Caron. "Even though I'm president of the bank, I can still interact with the customers and the community. That's just what makes a small bank really great."

Mr. Caron typically spends his time overseeing day-to-day operations and acting as a liaison and contact for his bank's board of directors. He also develops the bank's strategic plan and budgets and handles many of the bank's state and federal regulatory requirements.

"Dealing with regulatory matters is just huge. All banks are examined once every year and a half. We're audited every year, and the FDIC requires us to do a lot of reporting and monitoring," said Mr. Caron.

In fact, since the Patriot Act, banks like Mr. Caron's are often considered one of the government's first lines of defense.

"If someone comes in with a check and wants cash, we have to file a report if it's over \$10,000. We have to keep track of non-customers that buy money orders and checks. When we open a new account, there needs to be two or three forms of identification — that process can be a bit cumbersome. While that doesn't sound tough to do, it's the retention of that information that becomes a challenge," he said.

In addition to his tenure as bank president, Mr. Caron also has contributed time as a board member for a variety of groups, including: The Children's Museum in Easton, the Massachusetts Bankers Insurance Trust and the Cooperative Bankers Retirement Association. He also sits on the board of directors of America's Community Bankers, a national banking trade association. But it was his role as past-chairman of the Community Bank League of New England that sent him to Washington, D.C., in 1997, to testify before the banking committee against allowing banks to charge ATM surcharges.

Mr. Caron credits much of his success to his time at BSC.

"It really did prepare me. I'm a huge believer in the state colleges in Massachusetts. I think they're fantastic schools," he said.

That's a belief he's passing along to his four sons. His eldest graduated from UMass Dartmouth; the second oldest graduated from UMass Amherst. His two youngest children attend Bridgewater-Raynham High School.

"Due to the lower cost of the tuition at state schools, we'll be able to send them all through college without a whole lot of debt as opposed to a private college. That's not to say private colleges don't serve their purpose — they certainly do, there are many prestigious colleges, but undoubtedly, Bridgewater State College served me very well," said Mr. Caron.

A resident of the Town of Bridgewater for nearly 20 years, Mr. Caron and his wife, Ruth, are active members of the community. Mr. Caron is an avid music fan and regularly plays guitar for the choir at St. Basil's Chapel on the BSC campus. The Carons also enjoy touring the various coffeehouses throughout the area and enjoy the range of music they offer.

"The talent they bring in is incredible," said Mr. Caron.

Mr. Caron's interests even expand to astronomy, and he's a frequent visitor to the BSC observatory.

"I've always enjoyed that and ended up buying a telescope about six or seven years ago. It's just an amazing thing. Once you start learning about it, you're hooked on the immenseness of everything," he said. ■

Clare Leschin-Hoar of Mansfield writes for magazines and newspapers covering such topics as environmental issues, social enterprise, food, agriculture, health and business.



Thomas Caron, '76, works at his office at the Bank of Easton.

Stephen Folino's Commitment Makes Program for At-Risk Students a Success

By Clare Leschin-Hoar

For many of the students under Stephen Folino's watch, behavioral and emotional issues make it nearly impossible for them to attend and flourish at their regular public schools. But Rockland's North River School has been making a pronounced difference in the lives of these teens by providing a diverse learning experience, while imparting important skills these students need to succeed.

For the last six years, Mr. Folino, '78, has been program director for the alternative middle and high school. As it turns out, the school is also a small hive of other Bridgewater State College graduates, including several teachers and the school's intern, Joanna Deane, who's getting hands-on experience towards her master's degree in social work.

Walk with Mr. Folino through the hallways, and you're struck by his personal knowledge of each of the 50-plus students who attend. He greets each by name, and in return, they respond with broad smiles and full eye contact — a principal/student interaction that's very likely a new experience for this population of students.

"I like the kids. I just like them. I've been working with this at-risk population for a long time now, and I also like working with the people who are committed to this type of work," said Mr. Folino.

Arriving at school at 7 AM, Mr. Folino typically spends his day discussing current pressing issues, working in team meetings with the staff, reviewing students' IEPs (Individual Education Programs) and handling behavioral interventions with those students who may be having difficulty. Occasionally, he's even been known to throw in a game of basketball with the students at the end of the day.

The North River School is part of the North River Collaborative, which is made up of the school districts of Abington, Hanover, Rockland, East Bridgewater, West Bridgewater, Bridgewater-Raynham and Whitman-Hanson Regional. While



Stephen Folino, '78, at the North River School in Rockland.

the school provides the educational component required by the state, each is unique in its vocational opportunities.

Providing services to local communities, students from the North River School prepare meals at a local elementary school and provide Meals-on-Wheels service to seniors. The school has a small engine repair shop where students learn how to repair lawnmowers and go-carts and occasionally work on an automobile. There is also a print shop, where students are given the opportunity to fulfill print and design orders from a variety of community groups, including the Kiwanis. They create newsletters for several area schools, brochures for local businesses and more.

Mr. Folino describes most of the students as "good kids who have made bad choices" and who often come from difficult backgrounds.

"It can be very sad, and we talk about that, but they do find success. If you didn't see the successes, you wouldn't be able to stay in this business," he said.

"For a lot of the students, it's that they need the small structure we can offer," said Mr. Folino.

That means five to seven students in a classroom versus 25 or more in their originating schools.

For the last five years, Mr. Folino has worked with BSC to provide internship opportunities. Most have been first- and second-year students in the Master of Social Work program. So far, it's been a good match, he said.

Ms. Deane said it's been a strong fit for her. "This is something I'd really like to do when I graduate," said Ms. Deane. "I like the population. I like the adolescents. I like the school setting, too, and my supervisor, Don Wilkinson, has made it a great learning experience. I jumped right in working with the kids, even though I was nervous about it."

Mr. Folino said it's a relationship he'd like to foster.

"We've had great success with the BSC students that we've had, and I'm sure we'd be happy to take on a second student as a counselor, but it takes someone who really wants to work with this population as well," he said. ■

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A Tale of Two Alumnae Authors

By David K. Wilson, '71

Grace Gannon Rudolph, '93, and Nancy Brady Cunningham, '80, are two Bridgewater State College graduates who have never met but who have made their marks as published authors. And although the subjects of their writing are vastly different, each shares in common some significant personal characteristics.

Both are graduates of Catholic girls' schools, and both mothers earned their bachelor's degrees at BSC while balancing careers and raising children. Further, despite a passionate commitment to writing — which consumes much of their free time — each is deeply involved in her local community in a variety of public service activities.

Ms. Rudolph, a native of Ohio, is a social worker at the Radius Healthcare Center of Plymouth and has spent more than a decade applying her knowledge and skills at nursing and rehabilitation centers throughout Southeastern Massachusetts.

She began polishing her writing skills when she took a position in an advertising agency. "I loved it because I had the chance to write advertising copy for newspapers and television. I'd been writing since the age of seven, but this was my first opportunity to get paid for what I enjoyed doing," she said.



Grace Gannon Rudolph, '93

"I started taking courses at Bridgewater mostly for my own enrichment when my children were small, and I really liked the school. ... I was fortunate to have wonderful teachers such as Dorothy Howard and Rebecca Leavitt. I had a great experience at Bridgewater," she said.

"All through this I was writing. I worked for the *Old Colony Memorial* newspapers, doing the entertainment section, and eventually I graduated to writing books, which is my main focus now," Ms. Rudolph explained.

Her career as an author began in earnest after *The Boston Globe* published a short story of hers, "Rural Nightmare," which she adapted as a one-act play for Bakers Plays. Subsequently, WGBH/NPR produced her radio play, *Visiting Rules*.

To date, two of Ms. Rudolph's books have been published: *Elder's Statements*, *We're All In This Together*, a book about elder care, which has been translated into Dutch, and a novel, *A Stroke of Good Luck*, *Ice Floes*, *Polo Bears*. *Eskimos: An Inside Look at Nursing Homes*.

"Writing has been important to me since childhood," said Ms. Rudolph. "As long as I can put words to paper, that's going to be a major focus of mine."

Ms. Cunningham, '80, is a native of Pawtucket, RI, who attended Rhode Island College for two years, met her husband, Ed (G '79), and the couple moved to Taunton. While her two children were young, she decided to enroll at Bridgewater State College part time to earn a bachelor's degree in psychology.

"I was able to combine day classes and evening classes at BSC, which allowed me to continue teaching yoga — which I've been doing for more than two decades now — while also taking care of my family. It was a bit of a balancing act, but I enjoyed it thoroughly," she said.

In 1986, Ms. Cunningham decided to take up writing. "I had very good luck right from the start. I subscribed to a magazine called *Festival*, which was dedicated to topics dealing with family celebrations and rituals to make life more meaningful. I wrote to the editors asking if they knew of any publishers who might be interested in



Nancy Brady Cunningham, '80

a book on this subject. A letter came back telling me that the company also published books on that topic. The editors liked the proposal, and they agreed to publish my first book, which I called *Feeding the Spirit*. And that was my start as a writer," Ms. Cunningham explained.

Over the next 15 years, she would publish four more books on similar themes, and she has extended her writing horizons into poetry.

"About a dozen years ago, I took a poetry class at the Boston Center for Adult Education and loved writing poetry. Now I've had my poems published, and I've become active in poetry circles."

She still teaches yoga — averaging half a dozen classes a week — while she works on a sixth book, which will be devoted to poetry.

Is there a secret to becoming a published author?

"I write nonfiction that has a spiritual base. If there's any secret to getting published, it is, to me, specialization. I write about what I like."

Both Ms. Cunningham's daughter and grandson are following in her footsteps. "My daughter's an editor who has done a lot of writing in the technology field, and my grandson, who's only 8, is writing poetry. Writing is definitely part of our family tradition." ■

Corner of the Sky

John Simms, '85, President, Strong Wings Adventure School

By Maura King Scully

Drive around Nantucket with John Simms, and it's like spending the day with a celebrity. A beep here, a wave there, a friendly greeting as he rounds the corner. His well-wishers come from all walks of life: They are plumbers and carpenters, shopkeepers and Siasconset town officials. And they all have one thing in common: They are alumni of Strong Wings Adventure School, which Mr. Simms founded in 1991. Seeing past students succeed, going about their day-to-day business, "that's what's most rewarding for me," said the lanky 44-year-old.

Strong Wings Adventure School offers year-round outdoor programs drawing on Nantucket's vast natural resources. Elementary and middle school-aged students can enroll in courses including mountain biking, kayaking, rock climbing, snorkeling and swimming. For 10 years, Strong Wings coordinated operations from a small satellite office. In 2001, the adventure school moved onto five acres and into a new, airy 3,500-foot post-and-beam lodge. There, a full-time staff of four certified instructors manage programs of varying sizes. The after-school program, for example, draws 40 to 50 students during the academic year, while the summer camps attract nearly 400 youths from across the region.

With the opening of the adventure center, Strong Wings gained responsibility for Nantucket's alternative high school, the Discovery Program, which works with troubled youths. Strong Wings' staff supervises all science and environmental programs at one of the island's private schools.



John Simms, '85

Strong Wings is a dream come true for the outdoor enthusiast, but it's a path that was far from clear when Mr. Simms arrived at BSC in 1981. "I was burned out on football," confessed the former North Attleboro High School gridiron star. After trying a year playing college ball in the Midwest, Mr. Simms returned home and enrolled at BSC.

"Bridgewater State College fit what I was looking for," he explained. "I wanted a school with a good reputation, but I also needed to work full time." An anthropology major, Mr. Simms worked by night, took classes by day and managed to graduate in four years. "I also had some really great professors," he said. After earning his degree, Mr. Simms decided to revisit football. He spent the next year trying out for five professional football teams, but didn't

make a squad. By this time, "I was married and wanted to settle down," he explained. He had always loved working with kids, so on a whim, he applied for a yearlong contract position running a program for at-risk youth on Nantucket.

"I was working with kids in crisis, but I also saw a ton of other kids, not in crisis, but who were looking for adventure, to get into the outdoors. And it clicked for me that there wasn't anything like that on the island," he recalled.

Thus, in 1989, Strong Wings began to take shape. Mr. Simms knew he'd need advanced education to make his dream reality, so he enrolled in a master's program in environmental science at Antioch New England Graduate School in New Hampshire. Antioch allowed him to make starting and running Strong Wings the focus of his study. "I learned about the outdoors, but also about managing a non-profit, working with a board — all the things I would need to know to succeed," he recounted.

And succeed he did. Mr. Simms opened Strong Wings in 1991, taking the name "straight from my imagination. I figured it would fit with Nantucket and say what we are: We help kids get stronger wings." Mr. Simms said the camps' programs aim to build self-esteem, teamwork and leadership.

Today, Mr. Simms is still learning. He's taken a step back from day-to-day operations to concentrate on management. Though he made the change reluctantly, he recognizes that "as you get older, you lose some of that nice, natural connection with kids." Now he's focusing on building financial security for Strong Wings, raising money to pay off the lodge and eventually build an endowment. "I want it to be strong enough to survive and thrive even when I'm gone," said Mr. Simms.

For more information on Strong Wings Adventure School programs, visit www.strongwings.org. ■

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On-campus Presidential Residence Established at Barry House

By John Winters

Bridgewater State College once again has a presidential residence.

Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria, president of the college, began the new school year with wife Kathy, '81, and son Jonathan living in a beautiful century-old home in the heart of the campus community called Barry House.

The residence is named for Dr. Marilyn, '58, and Mr. Dennis Barry in honor of their gift to the Bridgewater State College Foundation, which made possible the foundation's purchase of the home. Dr. Barry served her alma mater from 1974-1998 as professor of special education and dean of the graduate school. She is a trustee of the Foundation.

President Mohler-Faria, during a dedication held at the home two weeks before the start of the 2006-2007 academic year, expressed gratitude to those who made the purchase and renovation of the home possible, as well as the pride he felt in occupying BSC's new presidential residence.

"To be the first president to live in Barry House, the house made possible by our good friends and people who love this college, is a tremendous honor," he said.

BSC had been without a presidential residence since the 1980s. When President Emerita Adrian Tinsley took office in 1989, she decided Gates House, which was built in 1870 and had served as the college's presidential residence since the 1930s, was going to cost too much to renovate, especially during the state's fiscal crunch at the time. Dr. Tinsley bought a house in town, and Gates House eventually became home to the Undergraduate Admission Office.

Last fall, the house at the corner of Park Terrace and Shaw Road became available, and steps were taken by the Bridgewater State College Foundation to purchase the property, which is next door to the Davis Alumni Center.

"It's a significant change because it's one thing to move, but it's another thing to move right into the middle of where you work," President Mohler-Faria said. "Both Kathy and Jonathan are wonderful, incredible people, and I'm happy to know that this campus will envelop them as it has enveloped me."

Barry House is a two-story, 10-room Colonial-style home, built between 1901 and 1903 by J. Franklin McElwain, who nearly a decade earlier had co-founded with his brother, William, a shoe company in Bridgewater. William bought the home in 1904, and four years later it was sold to Silas W. Derby, a superintendent at the shoe company.

Other owners over the years have included Frederick and Anna McNeeland, operators of the Bridgewater Ice and Coal

Company. The most recent owners were William and Linda Sun, who lived in the house from 1984 until it was sold to the BSC Foundation last November.

Speaking at the dedication, Dr. Tinsley said Barry House is much more than a residence for BSC's current and future presidents.

"I think it's very important and significant that the college is returning to the tradition of providing a home on campus for the president," she said. "This is a major step forward because it changes the look of the college, the feel of the college and the leadership dynamics. It permits the president and his family to function as the heart and the emotional center of the campus."

President Mohler-Faria agreed, adding that Barry House transcends the traditional notion of a presidential residence. "We've come to realize that it is very symbolic of the college returning to its core philosophy of 'ministering unto and not being ministered to,'" he said.

The Barry gift that made the purchase of the home possible is, in the words of Dr. Tinsley, "a wonderful capstone to a lifetime of service to Bridgewater State College."

At the dedication ceremony, Dr. Barry talked about how much the institution has meant to her over the years and how she was glad to now be a part of both its history and its future.

"Little did I know when I walked the halls of Boyden Hall more than 50 years ago that my love affair with the college would span a lifetime and provide me with some of the most wonderful days of my life," she said.

She reflected on her time at the college as not only a student, a professor and a dean, but also as a department chairperson, a faculty member who taught in Brazil and Mexico, and as a recipient of three distinguished service awards.

In her remarks, she also thanked her "soul mate," her husband Dennis, and many family members who were in attendance at the dedication, including the couple's sons, Denny and Chris, and their families.

Then, addressing those invited to the event, Dr. Barry closed her remarks with, "I don't know how my life would have ever been had I not been blessed by all of you." ■



Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria and Kathy Mohler-Faria, '81, stand in front of Barry House with Dr. Marilyn Barry, '58, and Dennis Barry.

College Continues Quality Expansion Several Projects Completed Over Summer Months

By John Winters

The 2006-2007 academic year finds Bridgewater State College in the midst of one of the largest expansion periods in its history. The last issue of *Bridgewater* brought news of a 400-bed residence hall under construction and slated for a fall 2007 opening, as well as the planned science center. Several other major projects on campus are underway or have recently been completed.

The new and renovated facilities will allow BSC to keep pace with its growth on several fronts. This fall, a record 1,400 freshmen arrived on campus, chosen from nearly 7,100 applicants, also a record. Meanwhile, the announcement of the construction of a new residence hall didn't shrink the waiting list for on-campus housing — it has increased demand.

Faculty ranks grew by 41, bringing the total number of full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty to 294, with plans to significantly increase that number over the next five years. New programs and initiatives will help BSC solidify its reputation as a regional resource in the years ahead.

Behind all the growth is the singular goal of ensuring that students and faculty have everything necessary to engage in the important work that is at the core of this institution, said Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria, college president.

"At the heart of everything we do, there is an emphasis on quality," he said.

One large project that was completed by the end of summer was a \$7 million renovation to the Shea-Durgin residence hall. The freshman living quarters offer completely renovated rooms, common areas and bathrooms. Most of the rooms were gutted, and many were increased in size.

Those returning to campus in September also found the second floor of the Maxwell Library with the same look and feel as the first floor, which was renovated during summer 2005. The upgrade



Open access lab at the Moakley Center after summer renovation.



The second floor of the Maxwell Library has more open space and work areas for students.

includes new carpeting and furniture, computerized workstations, a special section for books and materials dealing with K-12 education instruction, new conference rooms for collaborative projects, offices for the Adrian Tinsley Program for Undergraduate Research and the Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center, and special "plug-and-play" areas where patrons can use their laptop computers.

"The goal was to make the space more open and vibrant," said Michael Somers, director of library services.

BSC continues its tradition as a leader in technology provided to students and faculty thanks to improvements to both the wired and wireless networks across campus. As part of that project, there are 480 wireless access points on campus, said Bill Davis, vice president for administration and chief information officer.

"There are many more students with laptops on campus, and they needed a faster and more robust network to support them," he said. "You should get a signal virtually anywhere on campus."



The bright hallways were part of the \$7 million renovation to Shea-Durgin residence hall.

Work done over the summer means all BSC classrooms are equipped with updated technology, and the Open Access Lab on the ground floor of the Moakley Center was renovated.

"It was a fantastically busy summer, but we think students and faculty will be very pleased with the results," Mr. Davis said.

A new 600-space parking lot for commuters, adjacent to the Operations Center, was completed before the start of the new academic year, and the roof of Rondileau Campus Center was replaced, an upgrade that will allow for improvements inside the facility. Many other smaller but critically important projects and renovations are evident throughout the campus.

The new academic year saw President Mohler-Faria move to campus, becoming the first college leader to reside within its confines since Dr. Adrian Rondileau, BSC's eighth president. President Mohler-Faria and his family moved into Barry House on Park Terrace.

The presidential residence is named for Dr. Marilyn, '58, and Mr. Dennis Barry in honor of their generous gift to the Bridgewater State College Foundation, which made possible the purchase of the home by the Foundation. Dr. Barry served her alma mater from 1974-1998 as professor of special education and dean of the graduate school. She is a trustee of the Foundation.

Dr. Mohler-Faria said living on campus will allow him to engage with the college community on a deeper level and better lead the college's next fundraising campaign. ■

Budding Scientists Fall in Love During Woods Hole Experience

BSC Students Gain Hands-on Experience Alongside Nobel Laureates

By John Winters

Alden Gustafson of Dighton had the summer of his life. He didn't lounge on an exotic beach or follow the Red Sox around the country. The Bridgewater State College junior spent the early part of his summer vacation at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole as a course assistant.

There, he rubbed shoulders with Nobel laureates, experienced what it was like to operate a lab, and learned about some of the most cutting-edge research being done today. "It's amazing," he said. "They told me it was a great opportunity, and I said, 'yes'."

The relationship between the Marine Biological Laboratory and Bridgewater State College provides a handful of students each year a great opportunity. BSC students spend a portion of their summer helping the facility operate the dozen or so courses offered May through August to 600 to 700 students.

In return, the BSC students learn while they work. They're assigned to a course coordinator and assist with prep work required for the courses, which includes setting up audio-visual equipment before lectures, acting as a hands-on assistant during labs and doing just about anything necessary to facilitate the laboratory's summer programs.

There's plenty of time left over for the students to do some science themselves. Mr. Gustafson experimented with a micromanipulator to fertilize mouse eggs, dissected mice ovaries and learned much about conducting laboratory research.

"It's really what you'd expect from a high-level lab class," he said.

He's in good company, working shoulder to shoulder with PhD students, post-doctorate research fellows, and medical and veterinary doctors from around the world. "It's great to have conversations with them. I learn a lot just talking to them," he said.

BSC students who spend a portion of the summer at Woods Hole sit in on lectures by the Marine Biological



Alden Gustafson collects samples at Woods Hole.

Laboratory's visiting faculty. Some are Nobel laureates, all are leaders in their selected fields, and a good number of the lectures incorporate topics that are on the frontiers of modern science. Many have published scientific papers produced as a result of the research conducted as part of the summer courses, said Gina Hebert, the laboratory's assistant director of communications.

Dr. Jeffery Bowen, a biology professor at BSC, has long been involved with the Marine Biological Laboratory, and for the past several years, this relationship has allowed four or five BSC students to spend a part of their summers working and learning at Woods Hole. The scientists at the lab tell him they enjoy working with the college's "smart and energetic" students.

Dr. Bowen said he sees an almost immediate change in the students who spend a few weeks in Woods Hole. "They soon begin to see themselves reflected in the lives of these scientists. The result is a huge boost in confidence, and they often leave with a greater sense of purpose. I often have a big smile when our students comment about the amazing lectures they've heard and the astonishing things they've seen."

Jonathan Cherry is the Marine Biological Laboratory course coordinator with whom Mr. Gustafson worked. He said the Woods Hole experience can give a real boost to a burgeoning scientist.

"Coming here, the students get a broad view of the world," he said, adding that many have gone on to graduate programs at prestigious universities, such as Duke and Northwestern. "It's a great stepping stone."

Mr. Gustafson said he not only learned a lot during his time at Woods Hole, but also the experience solidified his desire to pursue a career in the biological sciences. "I can see a lot of exciting applications for the things I'm doing here," he said.

The Marine Biological Laboratory opens doors for Bridgewater State College students who participate in the program, Dr. Bowen said. They build relationships with the students and scientists they meet, and may even end up with a letter of recommendation from a Nobel Prize winner.

The networking they do helps BSC students pursue careers after they graduate. Just having the Marine Biological Laboratory listed on one's resume is impressive enough, he said. "This experience opens doors for our students' futures," he added.

Other BSC students who worked as course assistants over the summer were Megan Dobro, Geoff Guimaraes, Joanne Russo and Ed Kelliher.

The Woods Hole experience typically infuses a student with a true passion for this work, said Dr. Bowen, which can be even more important than the hands-on learning opportunity.

"Our students who come to work at MBL return with that familiar glow in their eyes indicating that they now know what it is they want to do with their lives," he said. ■

A Highly Distinguished Teacher: Dr. James Brennan

By David K. Wilson, '71

The first indication that Jim Brennan, a faculty member in biological sciences from 1961 to 1998, arrived at Bridgewater State College in a different era is when he describes his initial visit to the college in the spring of 1961:

"I'd never been to this area before," said the Virginia native who was then teaching at Norwich University in Vermont, "and I remember that I came down Route 24 at 10 AM on a weekday morning and there wasn't another car in sight."

Over the ensuing years the traffic grew, and, along with the region, the campus grew. He recalls a time when the student body numbered just about 1,000 students.

"In those days we'd hold exams at the end of the semester at 3 PM on a Friday in the Horace Mann Auditorium, and the college was so small that we could fit all of the freshmen taking general biology in that place at one time."

Times were indeed different back then, as evidenced by the fact he was appointed director of admissions after his first year — but he still had a full 18-hour teaching load.

"In those days, every student who applied for admission had to come in for a personal interview with a member of

the faculty. There were no exceptions to that rule. So, for five or six Saturdays in a row each spring we'd set up in a room in Tillinghast Hall — where today the Health Services Office is located — and from morning until late afternoon, the students would stream in and submit to that interview.

"We had no computer records, of course, so every detail would have to be recorded on little cards, and we'd then review each card to see who qualified for admission," Dr. Brennan remembered.

He only remained in that position for a year but several decades later — in 1986 — he returned to administration, at the request of the president, as the acting vice president for academic affairs, a position he held until a permanent replacement could be found.

Throughout his 37-year career at BSC, teaching was and remained his first love, Dr. Brennan says, (he is a recipient of the Dr. V. James DiNardo Award for Excellence in Teaching, the college's highest teaching honor). He was happiest when he was working with students.

"Now that I'm retired, I look back over the years and am enormously grateful for the people I had the chance to work with at Bridgewater . . . the students, the faculty, the staff. A really wonderful group of folks," he said.



Dr. James Brennan

Dr. Brennan and his wife, Jean, who are the parents of seven children, today enjoy their retirement, traveling often and participating in a variety of activities, on the campus and off.

"I made a good decision to come to Bridgewater back in '61," he said. "We made a good life here." ■

A MOMENT IN HISTORY...



The year was 1924 when this group of students — members of the dormitory council — posed for their photograph at Bridgewater State Normal School.

Theirs was the last class to know the "old college" — they graduated in June of '24, seven months before a fire roared through the campus on a cold December morning destroying the main classroom building and two dormitories, the original Tillinghast Hall (built in 1894) and a building known as "the cottage."

No lives were lost in the fire of '24, and no serious injuries were reported. But three of the college's seven buildings were lost (Woodward Hall, today's Art Building, present-day Tillinghast Hall and Gates House were saved from the flames).

In little more than a year, Boyden Hall and Harrington Hall were constructed to replace the lost structures.

— David K. Wilson, '71

Dr. Joseph Huber Receives College's Highest Award for Teaching Excellence

By David K. Wilson, '71

Thirty years ago — in the pages of this magazine — there appeared a story about the Children's Physical Developmental Clinic, which had been in operation at the college at that point for three years.

But although the clinic was a relatively new venture in 1976, it was already drawing widespread interest and praise for its focus on helping children with disabilities through an individually prescribed program of games, exercises and other sport activities intended to improve their motor and physical skills and their social and emotional development.

For example, the state colleges' board of trustees, which was then a single board for all of the then-11 institutions, awarded the clinic a grant of \$3,500 because of what the board called "its significant state-wide implications."

Dr. Joseph Huber, who had developed the idea for the clinic in 1973 and served as the first (and remains today) director of the clinic, said in that 1976 magazine article, "The purpose of the clinic is to improve the total fitness of each child through a program of developmental activities specifically and individually designed for his or her special needs."

A second element of the clinic was the involvement of Bridgewater State College students in the clinic's operation.

"The clinic seeks to promote an environment in which our student volunteers, who we refer to as 'assistant clinicians,' can develop an awareness of the problems and needs of these children," explained Dr. Huber, professor of movement arts, health promotion and leisure studies, in that 1976 article.

"The intent is to help the assistant clinicians secure the essential skills which will enable them to introduce quality adapted physical education programs in schools and institutions throughout the state of Massachusetts."



Dr. Joseph Huber

Since that time, literally thousands of children have participated in the popular clinic programs, and many hundreds of BSC students from a variety of academic majors have served as assistant clinicians.

And year-by-year, the reputation of the clinic grew, with awards and recognition following (including, in 1985, the prestigious "Manuel Carballo Governor's Award for Excellence in Public Service" from then-Governor Michael Dukakis).

Last May, the college recognized Dr. Huber for his leadership, vision and hard work by presenting him with its highest honor for teaching excellence, the Dr. V. James DiNardo Award.

"The Children's Physical Developmental Clinic was founded at Bridgewater State College 33 years ago by Dr. Joseph Huber as a pilot program," read the citation presented to him.

"From a modest beginning — initial enrollment in September 1974, was 20 children who were assisted by 25 BSC student volunteer clinicians — the clinic today enrolls more than 150 children annually who are assisted by well over 100 college students representing a variety of academic majors.

"Thanks to Dr. Huber's knowledge, imagination, dedication and leadership, the clinic has grown into a community service program of national renown whose principles and practices have been adopted at colleges and universities across the country.

"Alumni of the program — children and clinicians alike — now number into the thousands, and the clinic has won numerous awards, both for its success in improving the total development of children with disabilities and for providing unique professional-level training experiences to participating college students," continued the award citation.

"As a result of the clinic experience, children with disabilities have opportunities to improve their self-esteem by strengthening the emotional and social aspects of their personalities through their involvement in play, recreation and sports activities, which leads to each child's fuller participation in school and community programs, now and in the future.

"At the same time, the BSC student clinicians gain confidence, knowledge and experience by working as members of a team who are thoroughly trained to develop a wide range of key competencies and skills which are directly applicable to their own personal and professional development.

"The value of the clinic experience is well-known to Bridgewater students, and today the number of participating clinicians makes this the largest student organization at Bridgewater State College.

"The program's objectives, which were established by Dr. Huber in 1974, remain key to the clinic's success today, and those principles are: (1) to provide an educational climate that enhances both the personal confidence and professional competence of undergraduate students; (2) to foster an atmosphere in which communication between students and faculty is both recognized as important and nurtured; and (3) to assist students to be competitive professionals, yet instill in them an appreciation for developing both positive and cooperative relationships among those with whom they work." ■

BSC Students Perform College Research at the Highest Levels

Publication Demonstrates Depth and Breadth of Mentored Projects

By John Winters

Looking to find a connection between Cubism and Post-Impressionism and the novels of Virginia Woolf? How about a study of maple sugaring in Massachusetts? Interested in learning about the lives of 20 women who made a difference? Or Britain's role in the American Civil War? In the mood for something scientific? Try brushing up on some research concerning the development of dirhodium sugar-substituted carboxylate and acetamide complexes and its potential as a lectin inhibitor.

There's only one place one can find all this and more — the 2005-2006 *Bridgewater State College Undergraduate Review: A Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Work*. The 230-page volume features 25 papers by BSC students on a wide range of topics drawn from their course work, presentations made at the National Conference of Undergraduate Research, honors theses and work done with the assistance of summer grants provided by the Adrian Tinsley Program.

Seeing the papers and the list of topics they cover published in a single large volume makes quite an impression. Just ask Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria, college president, who said he found something impressive on nearly every page. In August, he hosted a reception for the student researchers and their mentors who filled this year's volume with what he called "incredible work."

"This is a reflection of what's happening here at Bridgewater between the faculty and students," he said. "An accomplishment like this reflects so well on our institution. It is exceptional."

Students who contributed their research to the *Undergraduate Review* come from various disciplines. Their essays detail scientific experiments in the lab and analysis of data collected at lake shores, the results of various types of ethnographical fieldwork, critical essays on works of art and literature, and comprehensive studies of historic events. Many of the contributors are new to college-level research.

The experience they gain pays big dividends, said Dr. Ann Brunjes, associate professor of English, who has long been active in undergraduate research at the institution. "Whether you're going to graduate school or hoping to teach, you're better served if you understand how knowledge is created," she said.

Ashlee Kirkwood, '06, whose paper, "Microstructural Analysis of a Drill Core from the Rhode Island Formation: Upper 750 Feet," was published in the *Review*, said her work focused on the study of the deformations found in sedimentary rocks from the Narragansett basin in hopes of learning more about previous tectonic events.

One of the key aspects of the project was its interdisciplinary component, Ms. Kirkwood said.

"It was a great experience just to work with people from other areas of science,"

she said, adding that the publication of the paper was a way to gain exposure in a field where she hopes to work. "It's always a good thing to mention" when networking or job searching, she said.

The article Cherylynn Silvia, '06, contributed, "One Ring to Rule Them All: Power and Surveillance in the Film Adaptation of *The Lord of the Rings*," he's earned her a trip to England to present her work at a J.R.R. Tolkien conference. The paper is also slated for publication in an international anthology of "Ring"-related papers.

"The research was a lot of work, but following an idea you have to its logical conclusion and finding out it ultimately all makes sense is very gratifying," said Ms. Silvia, who is planning to attend graduate school.

Students do not do their research in a vacuum. An important part of undergraduate research is the mentoring that takes place. Dr. Nancy Kleniewski, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said the *Undergraduate Review* is a product of the intense engagement between students and faculty, which is a hallmark of BSC.

The results speak for themselves, she said. "The institution is stronger because of this type of work," Dr. Kleniewski said.

Amanda Forbes, '05, a fourth-grade teacher in East Bridgewater, was an editor for the first *Undergraduate Review*, and she still has fond memories of a job well done.

"It was amazing to see it go from an idea to a finished project," said Ms. Forbes, who contributed the paper on maple sugaring to the most recent edition. "Working on it made me feel more connected to the college."

Research in BSC's labs, classrooms and library, as well as off-site locations, is giving shape to the next edition of the *Undergraduate Review*. Dr. Lee Torda, director of the Office of Undergraduate Research and faculty adviser to the publication, stressed the importance of the annual publication.

"I think it fills a unique space in the ways in which BSC supports its students," she said. "It celebrates a section of our population that sometimes gets overlooked." ■



Student researchers and their mentors attend a reception hosted by Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria, president (far right).

Real Estate Bequests and Gifts Have Positive Financial Impact for the College

By Clare Leschin-Hoar

Attending Bridgewater State College in 1947 wasn't just a given for Burt Goldman, '51, G'54. Years before he would sign up for college, he was diligently earning tuition money at a number of odd jobs. He sold newspapers outside of Boston's South Station, worked in the garment district after school and on Saturdays, and eventually found his way to a Mattapan-based chocolate manufacturer where he worked his way up from the delivery room to sales and then into management — all by the age of 15.

By the time Dr. Goldman strode into his senior year of high school, he had discovered his niche in life, thanks in large part to a teacher who repeatedly challenged and motivated him.

"I knew I wanted to teach science and chemistry, and it was because of this man," said Dr. Goldman.

Every day, Dr. Goldman would commute with four other BSC students on the grueling drive from Mattapan to Bridgewater — long before the current Route 128 or I-95 were in place. It was during those years that Dr. Goldman said he got his "start in life."

"Bridgewater prepared me for my first job, for my life, and I never forgot it," he said.

After nearly 20 years teaching science in Massachusetts public schools — which included national recognition for teaching the first advanced placement course in the country — Dr. Goldman returned to BSC as a professor for 19 years before retiring.

In fact, his experience at BSC as both a student and faculty member made such an impact on his life, Dr. Goldman recently decided to remember the college in an extraordinarily generous way.

He arranged a real estate bequest plan in which his oceanfront Jupiter, FL, condo, with a market value of \$750,000, will be gifted to the college upon his death. Until



Burt Goldman, '51, G'54

that time, however, Dr. Goldman will continue to live in and maintain the residence, while enjoying current tax advantages and piece of mind that his gift will avoid possible future probate.

After a portion of the estate is bestowed to his niece, part of the proceeds are earmarked to endow a full tuition and fees scholarship in his name, the Burton Goldman, '51, G'54, Scholarship Fund, to be awarded annually to a BSC student striving to become a science teacher. The remaining funds from his bequest will be an unrestricted gift to the college's endowment.

Part of the reasoning Dr. Goldman is so intent on remembering Bridgewater State College financially is his deep concern that the United States is slipping further and further in the sciences, and he hopes BSC will play an important part in educating the next generation of world-class science teachers.

"Even on a limited scale, I think Bridgewater State College can become a mecca for improving science teaching all over the country," said Dr. Goldman.

Dr. Goldman's gift melds well with the college's mission to stay true to its teacher college roots, but embraces its strengths in other core areas including science and the school's plans for the future expansion of the Conant Science Building.

"Burt's gift is a testament to his life's work teaching science in the region and

working with students who went on to teach science," said Todd Audyatis, major gifts officer. "It's really a nice legacy from him to the college."

Another way in which a gift of real estate has recently benefited BSC is a gift made by friends and neighbors of the school, William and Linda Sun.

The Suns sold the BSC Foundation their home adjacent to the Davis Alumni Center, and it is now the college's presidential residence. The Foundation purchased the property from the Suns for a price that was \$100,000 under its appraised market value. The generous cost savings realized by the Foundation in this "bargain sale" is considered a charitable gift-in-kind.

"The Suns have a longstanding relationship with BSC, both as good neighbors and generous donors," said Mr. Audyatis. "This particular gift was important in enabling the Foundation to purchase the property at a better price, and the Suns enjoyed making a major gift to the college that also provided them with tax advantages."

While generous gifts, such as those made by the Suns and Dr. Goldman, do offer some excellent tax advantages, they're also about a sense of pride in how BSC has grown.

"The growth I've seen at Bridgewater has been magnificent," said Dr. Goldman. "The trend toward academic achievement and intellectual capacity has so greatly increased, that it was indeed a determining factor in my bequest plans. It's a direction that all state colleges and universities should take, and I absolutely love seeing that at Bridgewater." ■

Clare Leschin-Hoar of Mansfield writes for magazines and newspapers covering such topics as environmental issues, social enterprise, food, agriculture, health and business.

Options for Successful Real Estate Investors

The past few years have been rewarding for those who own real estate — at least on paper. Prices have risen dramatically throughout the country, and particularly in “hot” markets like greater Boston.



By Todd Audyatis

But activity has begun to slow, and prices are no longer increasing as rapidly as before. There is even talk about a real estate “bubble” that may be ready to burst.

If you own real estate that has significantly appreciated in value, what options do you have to enjoy some of your capital gains without having to share generously with the government in terms of capital gains taxes?

You can always sell and pay the tax. You will still have more money than you invested originally.

You can donate your property to BSC and take an income tax deduction. You avoid all capital gains with such a gift. Your charitable deduction is based on the current market value of your property.

You can sell your property to BSC in what is called a “bargain sale.” The price you negotiate with BSC is lower than fair market value, so you qualify for an income tax deduction for the difference. Property abutting the campus was recently purchased by the BSC Foundation using this technique.

You can give your property to BSC in exchange for an income for life. This is usually done through a charitable remainder trust, which allows the property to be sold without losing any of the sales proceeds to capital gains taxes. In essence, you convert an appreciated asset into a diversified portfolio that produces a generous income that lasts for your lifetime.

You can give BSC your home, vacation home or farm and reserve the right to use it for the remainder of your life. Such a

gift qualifies for a partial deduction from your income taxes, depending on your age and the value of your property. If you are already planning to leave your home to BSC through a will provision, this technique allows you to enjoy an added income tax deduction.

One of this country’s best investors, when asked to what he attributed his investment success, replied that he always sold “too soon.” It’s good advice for those who try to time the absolute top of the market.

BSC advancement staff can help you sort through options, which include a gift — now or later — in support of BSC students, faculty and programs. Maybe real estate is something that you never considered donating to the college. Give it some thought, then contact me in the Office of Institutional Advancement for more information. You can e-mail me at taudyatis@bridgew.edu or call me at 508.531.2286. ■

Todd Audyatis, major gifts officer, works with BSC alumni and friends interested in making current or planned gifts to the college.

A MOMENT IN HISTORY...



This is a stereoscopic view of the college’s dining hall in 1876 and is one of the earliest interior photographs in the college archives.

The college had opened its first residence hall in 1869 — accommodating 80 students — and this was the first dormitory built at any public college in Massachusetts.

Stereoscopic images were an early version of what today we call “3-D,” or three-dimensional, photographs. Pictures such as the one above, when viewed through a special device, tricked the eye into believing there was one image in three dimensions. It had been invented in France shortly after the birth of photography itself.

David K. Wilson, '71



From left, Desiree Silva, senior at Middelboro High School; Lenell Silva, assistant to the chief of police at BSC; and Dr. Alan Comedy, assistant to the president for affirmative action/minority affairs/equal opportunity/disability compliance.

Afro-American Alumni Association

Ann Ulett, '92, president of the Afro-American Alumni Association, hosted the annual alumni summer picnic at her home in Plymouth. Alumni and their families enjoyed an afternoon of good food, water games and music. This yearly event is growing in attendance and attracts alumni of all ages.

To become an active member of this organization, please contact Candace Maguire, director of alumni and development programs, at 888.272.9555.

BAA Elects New Officers, Directors and Alumni Council Members

The annual meeting of the Bridgewater State College Alumni Association took place in June. The following slate was approved:

Officers:

Carolyn Van Buskirk Turchon, '62, president; Carol Wilusz Kryzanek, '69, president-elect; and Barbara Aguiar Lombardo, '62, secretary

New Board Members:

James Argir, '61; Henry Burbine, '65; Kathleen Moore Flaherty, '91; Paul Giberti, '59; David Messaline, '65

New Council Members:

Susan Carney, '69; F. Scott Longo, '89; Robert Rosenblatt, '59; Sheila Rosenblatt, '61; Jason Stocker, '04; Hazel Luke Varella, '54; William Walker, '72

Alumni Weekend 2006

It was a terribly rainy weekend at BSC, but nothing dampened the spirits of those who returned to campus and reconnected with friends. Highlights of the weekend included the Class of 1956 gift to the college in the amount of \$63,000 to support student professional development; a gift of \$10,000 from the sisters of Omega Iota Phi to endow a scholarship fund; and several members from the Classes of 1936 and 1946 returning to campus for their 70th and 60th reunions. Barbara Smith Huff, '36, from California was the motivating force in convincing some of her classmates to return to campus for their 70th reunion.



Barbara Smith Huff, '36, passes through the daisy chain to the All Alumni Luncheon.

The Class of 1961 gathered at the Stoneforge Tavern and Publick House in Raynham for its 45th reunion. Class members danced the night away to tunes from the '50s and '60s and reconnected with friends whom they had not seen in a number of years.



Carlene Dodd Brown, '56, presents the Class of 1956 gift to President Dana Mohler-Faria.



Rebecca Bates-McArthur, '68, presents Omega Iota Phi's Endowed Scholarship Fund gift to President Dana Mohler-Faria.



Members of the Class of 1946 accompany President Dana Mohler-Faria.



Members of the Class of 1956 at Bridgewater State College.



The BAA president's gavel is passed from Jack Hackett, '55, to incoming president, Carolyn Van Buskirk Turchon, '62.



Members of the Class of 1936 with President Dana Mohler-Faria.

Recent Graduate Association (www.alumni.bridgew.edu)

The Recent Graduate Association (RGA) was established in 2005. The group is committed to continuing BSC's role in the lives of recent grads by providing opportunities for education, networking, community involvement and catching up with old friends. Several successful events

have occurred since the RGA's inception, including a Jillian's night in Boston and a Dave and Buster's/Providence Bruins night in Providence. To find out more about the RGA, visit the group's page in the BSC online community and click on the RGA subgroup link.

If you are interested in getting involved with the committee, please contact Sally Murray at smurray@bridgew.edu. To become part of the online community

and to take advantage of viewing the RGA page, simply go to the above online community address and enter your constituent identification number that is on the label of your magazine. It is a great way to get connected with other alumni, post class notes and photos, and register for events.



Members of the Class of 1961 at the Stoneforge Tavern and Public House celebrate their 45th reunion.

Crimson Ambassador Scholarship

The Crimson Ambassadors, a student alumni organization, funded the first scholarship endowed by a student organization at Bridgewater State College. Each spring a large number of qualified students apply for this generous scholarship. This

year it was awarded to Emily E. Maurer of South Windsor, CT, a physical education and health education major.

Reunion Committees

Several classes are in the reunion mode and working with the Office of Alumni Relations to plan memorable events and raise funds in an effort to present the

college with significant gifts to commemorate their reunions.

The Classes of 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962 and 1964 are working toward their 45th and 50th reunions. Representation from the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s is encouraged. To take part in planning a special reunion, contact Candace Maguire in the Office of Alumni Relations, for

Alumni Credit Card Program

A new credit card program that provides many types of rewards is available. Bridgewater State College students benefit directly from every purchase made under this program. A percentage of the purchase is returned to the alumni association to assist students with scholarships and other academic opportunities that might otherwise be unavailable to them.

Alumni Student Loan Consolidation Program

Graduates with student loans (and parents with PLUS loans) may be able to lower their monthly payments and lock in low interest rates. This program is guaranteed by the U.S. Department of Education and offers superior benefits and customer service.

For more information or if you have questions about these programs, contact Candace Maguire at cmaguire@bridgew.edu or visit www.bridgew.edu/Alumni/Alumnnservices.cfm.

Discounted Car, Home and Recreational Insurance Program

The Bridgewater Alumni Association offers discounted car, home and recreational vehicle insurance.

Alumni Association Web Page and Online Community

Visit the alumni association's Web site at www.bridgew.edu/alumni to learn more about alumni events and services. To join the online community, use the six-digit constituent identification number that appears above the name on this magazine's mailing label. For questions about registering for the online community, contact Michelle Slavick in the Office of Alumni Relations at m Slavick@bridgew.edu.



Alumni, family, friends and emeriti faculty come together at the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford.

assistance in the planning process. Classes ending in 2 and 7 will be celebrating significant reunions in 2007.

Alumni, Family, Friends and Emeriti Faculty Meet in New Bedford

The Wamsutta Club in New Bedford was the setting for a preperformance brunch for many alumni, family, friends and emeriti faculty. At the conclusion of the brunch,

everyone enjoyed the New Bedford Festival Theatre presentation of *CATS*. Armand Marchand, executive producer, and George Charbonneau, artistic director, both BSC graduates from the Class of 1966, attended the brunch and welcomed the BSC family to New Bedford. Mr. Marchand and Mr. Charbonneau were the 2004 recipients of the Adrian Tinsley Award for Achievement in the Arts because of their devotion to theatre.

Upcoming Events

Alumni Chamber Choir Holiday Concerts

Nov. 25, 6-7 PM

The Breakers, Newport, RI
Please call The Breakers for tickets and directions — 401.847.6544.

Dec. 3, 3 PM

Catholic Center, Bridgewater State College \$10/person; \$5/person for faculty and students

Florida Receptions

March 4, 2007, 11 AM-1 PM

Heart of the Palm Restaurant
Palm Beach

March 8, 2007, 6-10 PM

The Inn on Fifth
Old Naples

March 11, 2007, 11 AM-1 PM

IMG Academies Golf and
Country Club
Bradenton

Please contact the Office of Alumni Relations with questions about any of these events. If you have a seasonal Florida address and want to be included on the mailing list for the March events, e-mail Candace Maguire at cmaguire@bridgew.edu with the information. Please indicate the time frame in which you will have residency in Florida.

ALUMNI ONLINE COMMUNITY



WANT TO RECONNECT WITH CLASSMATES

with whom you have lost touch? Then visit Bridgewater State College's new online community at alumni.bridgew.edu.

THERE IS SO MUCH WAITING FOR YOU

and there is no fee to join. Take the time to register and see what awaits you. To join, simply log in using the six-digit constituent identification number that appears above the name on the mailing label of this magazine.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

please feel free to contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 888.272.9555 and ask for Candace.

alumni.bridgew.edu



Career Services Recognizes Individuals and Businesses That Help BSC Students Gain Real-World Experience

By John Winters

The Third Annual Employer and Alumni Appreciation Luncheon not only gave the Office of Career Services at Bridgewater State College a chance to say thanks to some special supporters, but also allowed those in attendance to “get in touch with their inner child.”

Career service organizers featured an activity that brought out the child in everyone. With the help of BSC’s Community Service Center, the attendees each created an activity book for hospitalized children in Boston and Rhode Island.

“The kids love the books because they’re made especially for them,” said Diane Bell, director of the college’s Community Service Center. “You’re really making a difference in a child’s life,” she added, as the project got under way.

While they chatted and networked, the guests kept busy cutting out scenes from coloring books and using stickers and markers to create these special gifts for special youngsters.

In keeping with the college’s focus on service, Ms. Bell spoke about the many volunteer activities in which members of the BSC community have participated over the past year. A former employee of the Atlanta Braves baseball team, Ms. Bell talked about the difference between that job and her current one.

“The players would do community service because it made them look good. Students do it because it makes them feel good,” she said.

The business section of the luncheon thanked employers who offer internships, recruiting opportunities and Employer in Residence resources that assist BSC students in gaining experience in their chosen fields. Christine Tetreault, director of career services, told the guests how important their contributions are in helping shape the lives and careers of students.

“You embody Horace Mann’s ideal, of giving and serving others,” she said. Ms. Tetreault said it was a busy year for her office as 140 companies worked in partner-



Thomas Bourne from the Fuller Craft Museum puts together an activity booth.

ship with the college, helping more than 1,700 students gain real-world experience.

“You’re an intrinsic part of our success,” she said.

Among the attendees were many alumni who returned to their alma mater throughout the year representing their employers. More than two dozen companies and organizations attended the event.

Each year, career services honors selected employers. This year, MEDITECH captured the Employer of the Year Award; William Cain, ’83, of Haskon Aerospace Inc. was given the Alumnus of the Year Award; and the Internship Employer of the Year Award went to the New Bedford Third District Court. ■

BSC CAREER LINK

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Career Services is excited to announce the launch of its new career management site, BSC Career Link. BSC Career Link is an easy-to-use and centralized system where you can:

- Search jobs
- Post jobs
- Become an alumni mentor
- Access the career advisory network

BSC Career Link is a free resource for alumni, students and regional employers. To access BSC Career Link, visit:

www.bridgew.edu/CareerServices/careerlink.cfm

Contact the Office of Career Services at 508.531.1328 with any questions.

CAREER SERVICES UPCOMING EVENTS

FOURTH ANNUAL WOMEN IN
THE WORKPLACE LUNCHEON
March 7, 2007, 12:15-2 PM
Campus Center Ballroom

.....
FOURTEENTH ANNUAL JOB FAIR
April 4, 2007, 11 AM-1:30 PM
Campus Center Ballroom

.....
Visit:
www.bridgew.edu/careerservices
for a complete list of ongoing
workshops and programs.

Web-based Career Management and Education Tools Aid BSC Alumni

By Maura King Scully

Recent studies indicate that most Americans today will have as many as seven careers in a lifetime — and that's seven *careers*, not jobs. (Gulp.) How do you go about transitioning from one field to another? What's the most effective way to cross-sell your current experience to an employer in a new field? What skills are transferable, and what are those you'll need to develop?

Big questions, not to mention intimidating ones. Luckily, for Bridgewater State College alumni and students, help is just a click away. The Office of Career Services offers a number of web-based career management and education tools that are available 24/7 in the convenience of your own home. Three of the most recent additions to the online toolbox are Perfect Interview, purchased with Alumni Association support, as well as Focus and CareerSearch.

Focus

"Focus is career self-assessment software that's great for either career-changers or those who are just starting out," explained Christine Tetreault, director of career services. By completing a series of self-paced, online inventories, "Focus can help you figure out your skills, interests and values? Those are things that change at different points in your life," she noted. Focus also offers features to help users learn more about specific occupations, compare jobs in different fields and connect with relevant online resources, "Like the name says, it can help you 'focus' on what's important to you and what careers would be a good match," Ms. Tetreault added. "Users of Focus learn to make more realistic decisions about their goals and plans, how to self-manage their careers and the importance of adaptability in these times of change."

Perfect Interview

Perfect Interview is an innovative multimedia software package, complete with more than 1,500 interview questions, answers and hints — all of which have been professionally produced on digital video. "Perfect Interview is especially useful for graduates making, or thinking about

making, career transitions," according to Ms. Tetreault. "It's a great tool for someone who either doesn't have a lot of interview experience or hasn't done it in awhile."

After logging on, users can specify the type and length of interview that they want to practice, as well as specific question categories. The interview begins, and questions appear on the computer screen in full-motion video and sound. The user must answer on the spot, just like in a real interview.

"Those looking for intensive interviewing tune-up can come into the Career Center to record their practice answers via a video web camera, and then play back their responses to critique body language, as well as how they act, speak and sound," Ms. Tetreault said. "It's terrific."

Candace Maguire, director of alumni and development programs, recently had a chance to test drive the program, which the Alumni Association helped purchase, including the web-video feature. "It was absolutely incredible. You have questions posed, and you have to answer them in real time. I've been in this business a long time, and even I felt a little intimidated in the recorded interview. It's great practice."

CareerSearch

CareerSearch is a powerful online database that allows users to easily access information about all kinds of potential employers.

Want to find children's book publishers in New England? How about PR firms in Boston, or finance jobs in Connecticut? By filling out a simple online form, all of this information is available in seconds — including contact names, addresses, phone numbers and company background information. "You can then print the report or save the file to your computer," Ms. Tetreault noted. Because CareerSearch is an online directory, it's updated constantly making it "much more reliable than printed directories," she said.

In assembling these web-based programs, Bridgewater State College helps take the guesswork out of selecting career resources. "All of these programs are high quality and have been vetted by career professionals," Ms. Tetreault said. "They're also interactive, making you a real participant in the process. Another advantage is that all of these programs are fairly self-explanatory, so you don't necessarily need a lot of computer experience to use them."

The best part is that they're available to all graduates and students, all the time, any time. To get started on any of the programs described here, or for a complete list of all online career resources, visit www.bridgew.edu/CareerServices. ■

Maura King Scully is a freelance writer from Walpole specializing in higher education.



Stephen DiCenzo, '07, communication studies major, practices his interview skills.

1933

Phyllis Stewart Anderson writes “the four years on the third floor of Woodward Dorm with Miss Pope as our dean and three of us in one room, were enjoyable and paved the way for an enjoyable and lucrative life.” She was happily married for 65 years and retired in 1976 from the Barre school system after 27 years of service. She is physically well and enjoying life with nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

1936

*Barbara Albret
87 North Pond Drive
Brewster, MA 02631-1929*

Congratulations to the Class of 1936 for coming together to celebrate their 70th reunion during Alumni Weekend. **Barbara Smith Huff** graciously undertook the effort of getting in touch with as many of the 36’ers as possible. Ms. Huff and her daughter flew in from California. Other 36’ers in attendance were **Belle Barsky Levin, Eleanor Appleford Scripture** and **Paul Olenick**. More had planned to come, but the rain-swept day made it impossible for those in their nineties. All in attendance enjoyed the many festivities, including a special afternoon reception with President Dana Mohler-Faria at the Davis Alumni Center.

1937

*Ruth Metcalf
50 Green Street, Apt. 308
Brookline, MA 02446-3399*

1941

*Winnifred Taylor Hodges
2219 New Bedford Drive
Sun City Center, FL 33573-5805*

1942

*Loretta Kennedy Dexter
15 Buckwood Drive
South Yarmouth, MA 02664-1805*

1945

*Constance Kennefick
9 Highland Street
Gloucester, MA 01930-3804*

1946

Majorie Tolman Rodriguez was featured in a newspaper article and presentation honoring women from Hanover who served in the military in World War II. She received her Bachelor of Science degree and taught for two years in Greenfield before enlisting in the Army in 1949. ... Members from the Class of 1946 returned to campus for their 60th reunion. After enjoying the all-alumni luncheon and a concert by the Alumni Chamber Choir, they adjourned to the Davis Alumni Center for light refreshments and visited with President Mohler-Faria. Those attending included **Altana Mann Bullard, Joseph Dzenowagis, Patricia Froio Gricius, Eunice Chatterton Maloney** and **Eunice Kohler**.

1948

Otis H. McCorkle retired in 1993 after 45 years of service with the Weymouth public schools. He was supervising principal of the Nash School for 30 years and the Wessagusset School for two years. Following his retirement, he launched a second career as a full-time real estate broker. Twelve years later, he retired for the second time. His wife, Carmen, is a native of Spain and they frequently visit there. They recently returned from a three-month visit to Europe to celebrate his wife’s birthday and their 30th wedding anniversary. They traveled in Spain, France, Germany, the Czech Republic, Austria and Hungary. The trip was an ambitious undertaking for a couple of semi-senior citizens, but a delightful experience that required a few weeks of recuperation. Their condo in Valencia, Spain, serves as a home base for their European travel.

1949

Madeline M. Lannin turned 100 this past spring. She says the key to reaching the milestone was keeping busy. After retiring from teaching in Rockland and Weymouth at age 70, she and her twin sister, Josephine E. Winter, opened a prekindergarten day care center in their Rockland home. The sisters ran the center until they were 86. Ms. Lannin continues to live in the same home where she was born.

1950

The 2006 recipient of the Class of 1950 Distinguished Faculty Research Award is **Leora Lev**, associate professor in the Department of Foreign Languages. Dr. Lev received her MA and PhD in Romance Languages from Harvard University and her BA in Romance Languages from Brandeis University.

1954

*Hazel Luke Varella
121 Center Street
North Easton, MA 02356-1801*

Bob Barrows new book, *From One Fair Haven to Another*, is a fascinating account of his college days at BSC, his teaching career and his impressions of life at home and abroad, based on his extensive travel experiences. The 242 pages of text and 28 pages of pictures include a major section about college days at Bridgewater State College. To purchase a copy, send \$29.95 plus \$4.05 for postage to Robert Barrows, 727 E Street, Apt. 601, San Diego, CA 92101. ... **Hazel Luke Varella** was elected to the BAA Alumni Council. ... **Joseph F. Pauley** and his wife, Judith Ann Pauley, PhD, had an article featured in *New Hampshire Journal of Education*, Vol. VIII, summer 2005. The article “Meeting Students’ Needs: The Key to Dropout Prevention” outlined a motivation/communication model called Process Communication Model (PCM).

1955

*Francena Warren Smith
32 Mellen Street
Needham, MA 02494*

Mary Ellen O'Grady Phelps and her husband, Bill, spent three enriching weeks traveling through Antarctica last winter. They followed Shackleton's Route and made 16 zodiac landings on the Falklands, South Georgia, South Orkneys, Elephant, Deception and Livingston Islands. "It was our most exciting venture." They joined a group of 106 guests on Explorer, an expedition vessel built for Antarctic waters.

1956

*Carlene Dodd Brown
35 Tam O'Shanter Way
South Yarmouth, MA 02664-2049*

*Eleanor Lydon Olson
R117 Shellback Way
Mashpee, MA 02649*

The class of 1956 celebrated its 50th reunion and had a wonderful time. More than 80 classmates and spouses joined in the festivities and were very pleased to have the 1956 class adviser Kay Comeau in attendance. Among the travelers were **Joe Fratianni** from Iowa, **Ellie Hodgkins Yelle** and Courtney Yelle from Pennsylvania, **Joan Warrington**, **Judy Trombly Kenny** and Ray Kenny from Florida, **Beverly George** from Virginia and **Blandine Jasnocha Hogan** from Minnesota. The old campus is beautiful and worth a trip to see just how it's changed. The food was equal to fine dining and the programs that were planned were outstanding. Thank you to **Carlene Dodd Brown** and the reunion committee members for their ongoing work at meetings over the past few years to encourage all to attend and bring this wonderful weekend to reality.

1957

*Beverly Tunstall Shavinsky
81 Francis Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719-3211*

Mark your calendars now for June 1-2, 2007. That is the date for our 50th reunion. More details will be mailed in the upcoming months. Hope all can attend.

1958

*John B. Lonergan
21 Westminster Road
East Weymouth, MA 02189-1939*

1959

Paul Giberti was elected to be a member of the Bridgewater Alumni Association Board of Directors. ... **Robert Rosenblatt** was elected to the BAA Alumni Council.

The Class of 1959 will be celebrating its 50th reunion in three years. **Paul Giberti** recruited some members from the class, and they met in the spring to start discussing the reunion in 2009. You will be receiving more information about the reunion plans in the near future. Mark your calendars for the first Friday and Saturday in June 2009 because that will be your very special weekend to return to campus to reconnect with old friends.

We also would like to see more people submit class notes to be included in the 1959 section. Classmates truly enjoy reading about what others are doing. You may e-mail your class note to Sally Murray, assistant director of alumni relations, at smurray@bridgew.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.

1960

*Virginia Jewett Hogg
194 James Otis Road
Centerville, MA 02632*

1961

The Class of 1961 had a wet, but memorable, weekend to celebrate its 45th reunion. The group attended all alumni weekend festivities, but particularly enjoyed the Saturday night dinner, dancing away to music of the 50s and 60s. ... **Patricia Pannesi Davis** is teaching life science in



Class of 1961 members, Lana Steele Argir and Jim Argir dance to the tunes of the '50s and '60s at the 45th reunion dinner.



Members of the Class of 1961 reconnect at their 45th reunion dinner.



Class of 1961 member, Barbara Mattenson Nagle and Walter Nagle share a dance at their reunion.

Falmouth. She has traveled extensively, through all the United States, 17 European countries, all but one Canadian Province, and a touch of Mexico. In between all the traveling, she managed to teach K-11 science in high school, a private lower school and currently in a middle school. She also squeezed in 15 years as a research associate in cancer research at the Deaconess Hospital. Sports were an interest to her as she coached several girls' sports at a private high school, including a cross-country ski team. She writes "Imagine, with my short legs, trying to ski 100 miles in 2 days!" Over the years she earned a master's degree and CAGS. She recently became a nationally board-certified teacher in science. ... **James Argir** was elected to the Bridgewater Alumni Association Board of Directors. ... **Sheila Rosenblatt** was elected to the BAA Alumni Council.

1962

*Barbara Aguiar Lombardo
53 Oakland Street
Brockton, MA 02302*

Classmates in the South Shore area gathered at the Hingham home of **Judith (Judy) Murphy DeFilippo** and **Jerry DeFilippo** in May. Planning is under way for the 45th reunion in 2007. Information will be mailed as soon as plans are finalized. Save the weekend of June 1-3. ... **Elaine Perry Liming** is looking forward to seeing

all of her classmates at the 45th reunion. If any classmates are planning to visit California and will be in the Yorba Linda area, please contact her by e-mail at fe_liming@msn.com. ... **Carolyn Van Buskirk Turchon** was elected president and **Barbara Aguiar Lombardo** was elected secretary of the Bridgewater Alumni Association Board of Directors.



Sheila Tunstall McKenna and Judy Murphy DeFilippo



Cindy Beaudoin (from left); Martha Drinkwater Jones; Kathy Barrett Becker; and Jackie Bouchard Fitzpatrick

1963

After 47 years as a priest, **Msgr. John J. Smith** is retiring from the Diocese of Fall River. Included in Msgr. Smith's long list of assignments were serving as the diocese's longest running vocations director, from 1965 to 1997, and ministering in some of the diocese's largest parishes. In his retirement, Msgr. Smith states "I'm going to live in Fairhaven, and I'd really like to continue my education and reading. I taught as a priest and would like to continue along those lines also." ... **Donald DeLutis** was honored with the Nicholas P. Tillinghast Award for Outstanding Leadership and

Professional Achievement in the field of Public Education by the Bridgewater Alumni Association. ... **Beverly Verros Yankopoulos** was awarded the Ministry Award at the annual gathering of the Metropolis of Boston of Orthodox Christians.

1964

*James Nidositko
25 Coleridge Drive
Falmouth, MA 02540*

1965

Henry Burbine and **David Messaline** were elected to the Bridgewater Alumni Association Board of Directors.

1966

Kay Hanley Alden, G'66, is still active in dance and a GED tutoring program in Wareham. She worked with 80 first and second graders at the Hathaway Elementary School in New Bedford teaching them "movement exploration accompanied by music appreciation."

1968

*Donna Daley Brown
Box 366
779 Center Street
Bryantville, MA 02327-0366*

Donna Daley Brown, a longtime guidance counselor for Silver Lake Regional High School, has been named Guidance Counselor of the Year by the South Shore Guidance Association. The recognition is based on years of service to the profession at the school, as well as on the regional, state and national levels.

1969

*Carol Ethier Pappas
44 Tall Timbers Drive
Berwick, ME 03901-2536*

Susan Carney, '69, G'77, was elected to the BAA Alumni Council. ... **Carol Wilusz Kryzanek** is president-elect of the Bridgewater Alumni Association.

1970

Joseph P. Hackett
48 Ledgeview Drive
Norwood, MA 02062-5806

Shirley Peterson Sahl retired after 36 years of teaching at Easton Junior High School. ... **Claire E. DeMello** retired from the Mullen-Hall School in Falmouth. Ms. DeMello is looking forward to devoting more time to traveling and landscape design. She is also a land steward for Sea Farms Conservation area in East Falmouth and considers conservation an important issue in Falmouth. ... **Constance**

"Connie" Perkins is retiring after 34 years of coaching student plays and teaching at Whitman-Hanson Regional High School. Over the years, she has produced more than 60 productions with more than 2,000 students participating in the programs. ...

Lynne Regula-Foster Bougas is retiring after 35 years of teaching in Mansfield. ...

John Thomas R. Bacon received a Master of Education in Psychological Studies from Cambridge College. He has been an adjunct professor at Massasoit Community College since 2002. In May,

he was presented the Distinguished Commissioner Service Award by Old Colony Council, Boy Scouts of America. Also, he was the first recipient in this area of the Order of the Condor for his support of the Inter-America Scout Foundation. ...

Bill Dries has retired from Silver Lake Regional High School after 34 years as a history teacher, class adviser and as a baseball and golf coach with an overall record of 103-50.

1972

Phil Conroy
Janice Indorato Conroy
85 Bridle Road
Bridgewater, MA 02324-1001

Deborah Climo Foresta was honored as teacher of the week. She teaches Grade 5 in Esten Elementary School in Rockland. ... **William Walker** was elected to the BAA Alumni Council.

1973

William Hanna, G'73, was honored by the Taunton Area Chamber of Commerce for teacher recognition. ... **Stella Marie Silverman Citrano** was elected assistant vice president by the board of directors of Rockland Federal Credit Union. Ms. Citrano has been with the Credit Union since 1999 as an internal audit/compliance officer. She is also on the staff at New England College of Finance as an instructor of algebra, English, business writing and communications.

1974

Veronica Galanek Wainwright
4358 Bonfield Court
Oxford, MD 21654-0460

1975

Susan Marie Donaldson Leddy was honored by the Taunton Area Chamber of Commerce for teacher recognition.

1976

Jacqueline Sylvia Wheaton
716 Atlantic Road
Swans Island, ME 04685

Anne Bagge retired as director of Triumph Head Start, the place she called home for 39 years. The local program served more than 200 children from Taunton and Raynham. Upon reflection, Anne stated, "My work life ended up becoming my life's work. I couldn't have asked for a better career." ... **Dr. Antone Viera, G'76**, presented "The Portuguese Pioneers of Westport" at the Bell Schoolhouse in Westport. ... **Katherine Jean** joined Aprin International Group in East Greenwich as director of information technology. In her role, she is responsible for implementing technology to increase efficiency of business processes and customer service programs.



Jim and Jeanne Oliver Foster at Commencement exercises after Jeanne received her master's degree.

1977

Robert Mansur
12584 Autumn Gate Way
Carmel, IN 46033-8221

Bonnie Gray is the accounting supervisor at Realty Development Association, a company that plans, designs and builds custom-designed modular homes throughout Southeastern Massachusetts. ...

Jeanne Oliver Foster graduated from Fitchburg State College with a master's degree in communication/media. As part of her practicum, she created a math Web site for parents to help them work with their children in preparation for MCAS exams in elementary schools, www.mcas-mathforparents.com.

1978

Elizabeth Gallagher Duval
12 Hutchinson Lane
Quincy, MA 02171

Luanne Perry Morgado and **Daniel J. Morgado's** son, **Daniel Perry Morgado**, graduated from Bridgewater State College in May 2005 with a Bachelor of Science in Management Science degree. Ms. Morgado is employed by the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester, and Mr. Morgado is the town manager of Shrewsbury.

1979

Anne Cummings Wass, G'79, was elected president of the 100,000 member Massachusetts Teachers Association. During her two years as president, she intends to focus on increasing state funding, improving the quality of education and

reducing class size. ... **Dr. Kristine Nash, G'79**, is superintendent of schools in Hanover.

1980

M. Scott McDonald
101 Highgreen Ridge
Peachtree City, GA 30269

1981

Cynthia Booth Ricciardi
P.O. Box 228
Taunton, MA 02780

Dr. Cynthia Booth Ricciardi was elected president of the Old Colony Historical Society of Taunton, which serves the greater Taunton area. She is first woman president of the 153-year-old society. She has already embarked on many projects on behalf of the society.

1982

John F. Sullivan
6 Phyllis Road
Foxboro, MA 02035

The Rev. Robert Sammons is the chaplain of Popham Chapel in Brunswick, ME. He and his wife, Margaret, live on Orr's Island. ... **Elizabeth Garozzo Kitsos** is the principal at Whittier Middle School in Haverhill.

1983

Kimberly S. Lettner was promoted to captain in the Virginia State Police. She holds the highest rank of a woman in the agency. She is director of the professional standards unit, which comprises of internal affairs, staff inspection and internal audit. She has more than 21 years of service with the Virginia State Police. In addition, she completed her master's degree in human resource management at the University of Richmond. ... **David Robichaud** won two Emmy Awards from the New England Chapter of the National Television Academy. Mr. Robichaud, or "Robi" as he's known to so many, received the two Emmys for his work on UPN-38's *Morning Show*. One was for the "best host" category, and the other was for his innovative "Robi on the Road" segment.

1984

Lynne Hofmann Ritucci spearheaded a food drive to benefit the Basics Food Pantry in Hopkinton. Ms. Ritucci is a sales associate based at Century 21 Westward homes in the Hopkinton office. Prior to joining the firm, she served as a professor at Lesley School of Management, where she specialized in facilitation, conflict resolution and negotiation. "Volunteering more time to help the residents of Hopkinton was a New Year's resolution for me" said Ms. Ritucci. ... **Janice Dyke Sowyrda Barney, G'84**, is the department chair of natural sciences and a professor of biology at Mount Wachusett Community College in Gardner. She is married and has one son.

1985

Gill Enos has been the mayoral assistant for Mayor Robert G. Nunes for more than a decade. ... **Scott Levison** lives in Pinellas Park, FL, and is very active with St. Pete for Peace.

1986

Paula Vogel Quill
20 Goldsmith Drive
Newburyport, MA 01950-3417

1987

Kevin Kindregan
38 Tilden Commons
Quincy, MA 02170-1840

1988

Dan Darcy
42 Gas Light Drive, Apt. 1
Weymouth, MA 02190

Kris Flanders Gilson accepted a position with the United States Maritime Administration in Washington, D.C., serving as the environmental, health and safety director for the domestic and international ship disposal program. She has relocated to Alexandria, VA, with her husband, Greg, of 15 years and their 4-year-old daughter, Casey Emma. She'd love to hear from classmates. You can contact Ms. Gilson at Kristine.gilson@dot.gov.

1989

F. Scott Longo was elected to the BAA Alumni Council. Mr. Longo first served as president from 2002-2004 and then as immediate past-president from 2004-2006. He is also chair of the college's annual fund committee.



Members of the Class of 1986 reunite in Florida: Don Duffy (front left), Mark Ingraham (front right), Scott Altman (back row, from left), Walter Pascal, Phil MacDougall and Glenn Roberts.

1990

Jorge Neves
16 Labrie Lane
Holyoke, MA 01040

Vincent J. Fernald received Sigma Chi's Erwin L. LeClerg Award as outstanding chapter adviser. Mr. Fernald's fraternity service includes roles as grand praetor of South Florida Province, chapter adviser at the University of Miami (since 2000) and faculty member to numerous Balfour Leadership training workshops. He works as a merchandising director for J. Crew. ... **Joe Weathers** would like to contact his BSC roommate **Herb Blanchard**. Mr. Weathers can be reached at wibnconstruction@comcast.net.

1991

Jeff Gorton served as the interim general manager of the Boston Bruins. ... **Lisa Weinberg Lunney's** volleyball team, named "Clash," won the gold medal in the United States Volleyball National Tournament's reverse coed division. Last year, her team finished fourth and she decided not to return, but she was convinced by teammates to give it one last try. "I cried my head off," Ms. Lunney said of her reaction to winning the gold medal. She said winning the gold was the perfect way to end her national tournament career, but she will still be playing Tuesday and Thursday nights in Rhode Island. ... **William Conard** is the principal of Randolph High School. Mr. Conrad was formerly the acting principal of the Roberto Clemente High School in Chicago, which was recognized this year by the International Center for Leadership in Education as one of 75 promising schools nationwide for developing and establishing the implementation of small schools. ... **Kathleen Moore Flaherty** was elected to the Bridgewater Alumni Association Board of Directors.

1992

Jeff Corwin paid a visit to Plymouth showing a video of recent adventures in the wild followed by a fun and informative lecture about conservation. ... **Deborah Earley St. Ives** is the principal at the Seach

Primary School. ... City Councilor **Tom Hoyer** ran the Boston Marathon. He has competed in the Chicago and New York marathons. "I got the opportunity to get a (bib) number so I started training, and I got the itch." Mr. Hoyer is beginning his fifth year on the Taunton City Council and is an athletic trainer at Coyle and Cassidy High School. ... **Susan VanDeventer Iverson, G'92**, defended her dissertation, "A policy discourse analysis of U.S. land-grant university diversity action plans," and was awarded a doctorate in higher education leadership with a concentration in women's studies. She accepted a position as an assistant professor of higher education administration and student affairs at Kent State University in Ohio. ... **Ann Solomon Ulett**, president of the Afro-American Alumni Association, hosted the annual alumni summer picnic at her home in Plymouth. Alumni and their families enjoyed an afternoon of good food, water games and music. This yearly event is growing in attendance and attracts alumni of all ages. If you would like to become an active member of this organization, please contact Candace Maguire, director of alumni and development programs, at 888.272.9555.

1993

Debra Gately-Cacciatore
439 Lexington Street
Waltham, MA 02542

Brian K. Crowley was one of eight probation officers from across Massachusetts honored during a State House ceremony. The celebration was the fourth annual recognition of probation employees. Mr. Crowley collaborates regularly with local schools, civic groups and police to address a multitude of criminal and social problems that involve the children he supervises. He also served as a volunteer with the Molly Bish Foundation.

1994

Matthew Maderos
12 Wickford Lane
Quincy, MA 02169-6252

Jeff Anderson was recognized as the top loan officer for Advanced Mortgage Services for 2005. In light of his success,

he has been given the responsibility of managing Commercial Lending Division at Advanced Mortgage Services. ... **Joanna Burke**, working as an animal trainer at the Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald, TN, was mortally wounded by a 7,600 pound elephant named Winkie. "No one could be more attentive and nurturing, and the elephants blossomed under her care," said Carol Buckley, executive director and founder of the Elephant Sanctuary. A handler at the sanctuary for eight years, "Joanna gave them what most had not experienced before coming to the sanctuary; unconditional love." She was buried on the grounds of the sanctuary during a private sunset ceremony for her family and co-workers.

1995

Samuel F. Hein, G'95, is the new chief administrator of Harwich Elementary School. ... **Deidre Fountain, G'95**, is a vice president of human resources at BankFive. Ms. Fountain joined BankFive in 2000 as the human resources director. She serves on the Greater Fall River United Way Allocations Committee and is the Fall River Committee Chair for the Relay for Life.

1996

Jennifer Wilson Murray
2 Clinton Terrace
Kingston, MA 02364

Jennifer Wilson Murray is the new class contact. Please send all updates, career news, births, marriages and milestones of general interest to her attention at the address listed above. ... **Starla Haffke** registered with the Vermont Board of Bar Examiners for the Law Office Study program and anticipates taking the Vermont bar exam in July 2010.

1997

Katie Banis Berry
38 Dartmouth Terrace
Brockton, MA 02301
Roger Limoges
2714 Quarry Road NW, Apt. 101
Washington, D.C. 20009-5946

Sarah Devine is director of social service at Colonial Nursing and Rehab Center in Weymouth. **Keith Berry, '95**, served as the wedding photographer, www.berryphotos.com, at Sarah's July 2006 wedding to Eric LaBagh. ... **Christine Drew Carreiro** was one of eight probation officers from across Massachusetts honored at the State House. The celebration was the fourth annual recognition of probation employees. Probation Commissioner John J. O'Brien said Ms. Carreiro is truly deserving of this recognition. "She approaches her job with dedication, diligence and professionalism." ... **Wendy Malone** is an English teacher at Norton High School. She also teaches dance at In Sync Dance Company in Weymouth and is completing the post baccalaureate program in secondary education.

1998

Carol Sacchetti
P.O. Box 259
Bristol, RI 02809

U.S. Army Captain Michael P. McCusker was awarded a Bronze Star for Valor in Action while in Iraq. Michael is a company commander for a unit of soldiers who were conducting random searches in Tel Afar. Capt. McCusker and his company found themselves locked in a rare, five-hour showdown with a cornered gunman and a suspected suicide bomber. An April 19 article of *Stars and Stripes*, the military daily newspaper, described him crawling into a hole in a wall to see if a suicide bomber had been killed. He emerged from the hole bleeding from flying concrete debris loosened when the insurgent started shooting. The Bronze Star is awarded to soldiers who exhibit heroic or meritorious achievement or service in combat. Since 2002, Capt. McCusker has completed a tour of duty in Afghanistan and is completing his second tour of Iraq.

1999

Lee Charpentier
23 Upstone Drive
Nashua, NH 03063

Ellen Dugas Hocter is the research manager at Buena Vista Pictures Marketing. Buena Vista Pictures is a subsidiary of

the Walt Disney Company. ... **Phil Klotzbach**, the heir apparent to one of the nation's leading hurricane forecasters, William Gray, of the Department of Atmospheric Science at Colorado State University, is weighing in on the hurricane forecasts, as well as the debate over global warming's effect on hurricanes. Mr. Klotzbach believes a natural cycle, not smog-fed global warming, explains an increase in storms.

2000

Sandra M. daCosta is the audit supervisor at Hodgson Pratt & Associates, P.C. She is responsible for the planning and oversight of the engagement process, as well as acting as a liaison between the client and firm. ... **Brian McGuire's** band, Madjikut, had its song, "Getting Pretty Good," featured on Fox's weekly show, *The Loop*. He teaches English at a local community college. The band practices in an artist's space in Fall River and is in talks to have the song featured in ABC's show *What About Brian?*

2001

Hilary Thomas received the doctor of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degree from Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences in May. Dr. Thomas also received a master of business administration in health care leadership from Rockhurst University. She was a member of the Sigma Sigma Phi honor society, a national honorary osteopathic fraternity. After graduation, Dr. Thomas will complete a postdoctoral residency in internal medicine at Eisenhower Army Medical Center at Fort Gordon in Augusta, GA. ... **Denise Chagnon** is a paramedic for Fallon Ambulance. She began as an emergency medical technician and recently earned her paramedic certification. ... **Sandra Cinelli** is the assistant operations officer at Bridgewater Savings Bank.

2002

Kevin Borges is the enhanced 911 dispatcher for Somerset.

2003

Spc. Danielle Bean Shaner is a physical therapy technician at Robinson Health Clinic at Fort Bragg in North Carolina. She entered the Army as a combat medic, but soon found her way to the Army's physical therapy technician school. In addition to her work, Spc. Shaner competes in triathlons. She began competing while at BSC at the urging of her swim coach. She wanted a way to stay competitive after college, where she participated in swimming, cross country and lacrosse. She completed the Boston Marathon and will run a half marathon in Florida in hopes of qualifying for the Ironman North America in Hawaii. Spc. Shaner is scheduled to deploy with a brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division. In the interim, she has applied to the Army physician assistant school and the Army's world class athlete program as she wants to compete in the Olympics one day. "It's not if, but how and when," she said.

2004

Jason Stocker was elected to the BAA Alumni Council.

2005

Laura Trull, G'05, is training for the Boston Marathon. ... **Frederick M. Gerstenecker** won first place for his untitled oil painting at the Holbrook Art Show. The artist described his 40x24 inch painting as a barroom scene with men sitting around playing cards. He said he adapted the scene from a photograph, with some improvisation. ... **Paul Zauner, G'05**, is principal of Wareham Middle School. ... **Heather Richards** joined the Kingston Chamber of Commerce as an administrative coordinator. ... **Matthew Santos** was named Rookie of the Year by the Plymouth County Educators Association. ... **Daniel Perry Morgado** is a sales representative for Boise Building Materials.

Births

To **Gail Castell Morsellino, '92**, and Steven Morsellino, a daughter, Sophia Anne, on Feb. 26, 2006
 To Jennifer and **Andrew Pike, '93**, a daughter, Anna Joyce, on May 28, 2005
 To **Dawn Berkovitz Zambito, '94**, and Patrick Zambito, a son, Luca Berke, on May 29, 2006
 To **Christen V. Coen Garcia, '95**, and Lou Garcia, a son, Thomas Brant, on Sept. 4, 2005
 To **Tracey Sunderland DeLano, '97**, and **Alan DeLano, '95**, a son, Carter Justin, on Dec. 27, 2005. Carter joins big sister Callie.

To **Elizabeth Stanley Berube, '97**, and Kevin Berube, a son, Matthew Richard, on June 6, 2004, and a daughter, Julie Anne, on Feb. 16, 2006
 To **Kristan Farr Tarricone, '97**, and David Tarricone, a son, Charles L., on Jan. 23, 2005
 To **Tara Correia Cruza, '99, G'05**, and **Joseph Cruza, '00**, a son, Jackson William-Joseph, on April 11, 2006
 To **Roseanne Lisa DeConto, '99, G'03**, and **Philip DeConto, '02**, a daughter, Bridget Rose, on Dec. 24, 2005

To **Jessica Bender Beerman, '01**, and **Brian Beerman, '01**, a daughter, Madeline Melissa, on July 20, 2006
 To **Caroline Pike Boucher, '01**, and Jeffrey Boucher, a son, Brendan Jeffrey, on May 14, 2006. Brendan joins big brother Cameron, age 2 1/2.
 To **Regina Hussey Papp, '01**, and James Papp, a daughter, Ella Rose, on March 11, 2006

Deaths

Esther L. Sampson Buttner, '20, on June 1, 2006
 Louise A. Baker MacDonald, '21, on April 11, 2006
 Mary F. Griffin Doucette, '26, in April 2006
 Mary Rosalie Gervais Glenn, '27, on June 11, 2006
 Marion Ryder Worthen, '29, on May 25, 2006
 Jeanne F. Laramée Page, '30, on May 5, 2006
 Doris E. Ekstrom Gilman, '31, on May 11, 2006
 Louise Pratt-Story Harman, '33, on March 11, 2006
 Helene D. Johnson, '34, on April 30, 2006
 Ruth G. Henry Maney, '34, on June 27, 2006
 Lillian T. Bertoli, '39, on April 28, 2006
 Janice Kimball Andrews, '40, on July 5, 2006
 Barbara E. Dobbyn Egan, '40, on May 31, 2006
 Lawrence F. Folloni, '43, on April 26, 2006
 Helen M. Glasle Pratt, '43, on April 29, 2006
 Christos T. Sarris, '43, on June 7, 2006
 Olivio A. Lopes, '47, on May 15, 2006
 Helen Finlayson Morris, '48, on March 7, 2006

Nora Delano, '50, on Jan. 30, 2006
 Charlotte S. Novick Rosen, '50, on Oct. 24, 2005
 Carleton F. McCauley, '53, on April 18, 2005
 Anthony F. Sirrico, '51, G'54, on June 2, 2006
 Vincent Edward Quagge, G'54, on June 15, 2006
 Helen E. Ulvila Foster, '55, on May 3, 2006
 Paul Rodrigues, G'55, on April 12, 2006
 Alphee N. Laflamme, G'57, on June 5, 2006
 Richard T. Mula, G'58, on July 12, 2006
 Rose H. Petruzzi-Maccorma Burgos, '59, on April 10, 2006
 Margaret A. Douglas, G'59, on April 22, 2006
 Warren M. Holt, G'59, on May 22, 2006
 Walter G. Palmer, G'60, on May 9, 2006
 Edward Costa, G'61, on April 19, 2006
 James "Gus" C. Steve, G'61, on July 16, 2006
 Peter J. Thomas, '61, on April 14, 2006
 Leo R. Manning Sr., G'64, on May 1, 2006
 Janet M. Treacy Dufresne, '65, on June 19, 2006
 Dorothy E. Reynolds, G'66, on April 19, 2006
 Linda C. Brown, '67, on April 12, 2006

Holly A. Nicholas Roper, '68, on April 15, 2006
 William J. Verseckes, '68, on May 31, 2006
 Marguerite Cloutier Plamondon, '70, on June 14, 2006
 Robert J. Doyle, G'71, on April 1, 2006
 Mary Jane Sumner Datro, '72, on July 7, 2006
 Yvonne R. Richards Mansfield, G'72, on May 25, 2006
 Priscilla Howard Burns, G'73
 Lawrence Uchmanowicz, '75, on March 29, 2006
 Cheryl D. Krafon Williams, '76, on May 9, 2006
 John MacDonald, '82
 Robert C. Haseltine, G'83, on June 10, 2006
 Thomas J. McDermott, G'85, on June 3, 2006
 Christopher S. Fanton, '87, on June 22, 2006
 William E. Enright, '91, on April 11, 2006
 Jennifer Carmody Spondeo, '97, G'05, on June 19, 2006
 Jonathan S. Marder, '03, on May 18, 2006
 Beth A. Hoffman, G'05, on May 9, 2006

Marriages

Diane E. Kenyon, G'91, to Michael H. LeBlanc on April 21, 2006
 Kimberly Anne Langstroth to **Eric J. Heise, '96**, on Oct. 16, 2004
Sarah Devine, '97, to Eric LaBagh on July 1, 2006
 Neda Meshkaty to **Ed Sheridan, '98**, on July 30, 2005
Dawn-Marie Tricarico, '98, to Sanjiv Singh on June 25, 2005
Anita-Ann Campisano, '99, to Gagandeep Singh on May 27, 2006
Darice Nicole DelPrete, '99, to Adam Michael Johnson on Nov. 26, 2005

Jennifer Joseph, G'00, to Andrew Ramieri on March 4, 2006
Jaime Kristen Orlandi, '01, to Matthew Thomas Avery on Sept. 24, 2005
Rachel Vera Quinn, '01, to Justin Robert White on Aug. 13, 2005
Trina M. Cutrufo, '02, to **Michael K. Ruggiero, '02**, on Oct. 2, 2005
 Carolyn Frances Vargas to **Bryan Gerard Jackson, '02**
Shelly Espinola, '03, to David Powers on Nov. 26, 2005

Stephanie Marie Potter to **Army Spc. William Paul Bryant IV, '04**
Amanda Goulart, '04, to Mark Boardley
Amy B. Richendollar, G'04, to Brian D. McGuirk on Oct. 8, 2005
Kerri Rita McQueston, G'05, to Scott David Crowley on Dec. 17, 2005
Rachel Marie Menard, '05, to Luke Lawrence Eaton, '04, on April 22, 2006
Sandra A. Nystrom, G'05, to Joseph I. Dziedzic Jr.

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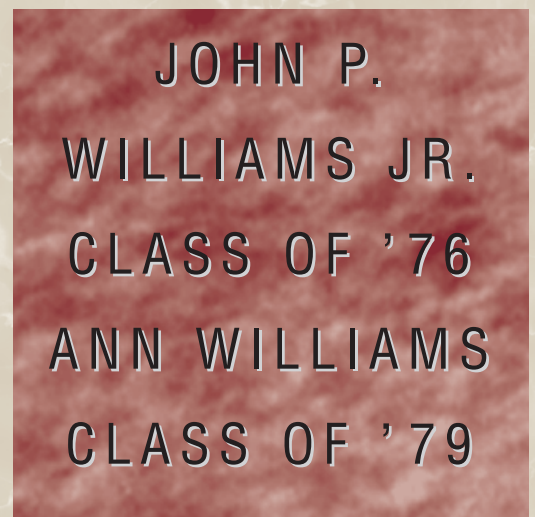
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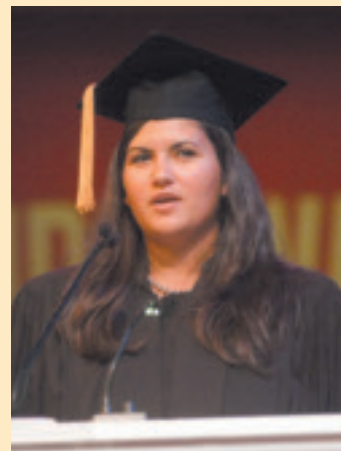
Bridgewater State College held its Senior Convocation Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2006, in the Campus Center Auditorium. The keynote address was delivered by Philip Klotzbach, '99, now a nationally recognized hurricane expert. In his address, President Dana Mohler-Faria told the members of the senior class to take time during their final year at BSC to think about their place in the world, and about the important role they'll play in shaping the future.



Preparing for the event are, from left, Mr. Klotzbach; Dr. Janice Harris, college marshal; Juliana Margarida, SGA president and student speaker; and President Dana Mohler-Faria.



Mr. Klotzbach delivers his keynote speech.



Ms. Margarida addresses her classmates.



President Mohler-Faria shares his thoughts with the Class of 2007.



BSC employees, from left, Dr. Marcia K. Anderson, Dorie AuCoin and Prof. Torben Lorenzen were honored for their 25 years of service to BSC. (Not in attendance but also honored was Jeane Lincoln.)



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